

ANNUAL TOWN REPORT
of
GLASTONBURY, CONN.

INCORPORATED 1693



Year Ending
AUGUST 1957

A Tribute

During the past year, the facilities of the Consolidated Cigar Corporation on Oak Street have been greatly expanded, including a new office building. Practically all operations of the company have been consolidated here in Glastonbury. Its properties now constitute by far the largest source of tax revenue of the Town. It is a pleasure to recognize this fact in a minor way by means of our cover picture, showing part of the new plant.

We extend a sincere welcome to our good friends of the Consolidated, not merely from a selfish financial motive, but also, and of perhaps more importance, because they have proved themselves to be good citizens. Over a period of years they have maintained their buildings and plantations in a condition which is a distinct credit to them and a valuable asset to the Town of Glastonbury. At the same time their operations have been unobtrusive to the extent that many townspeople are hardly aware of the existence of such a large enterprise.

The Town officials and others who were instrumental in inducing the Consolidated to locate on Oak Street and to expand there are more than gratified at the results of their efforts.

The people of Glastonbury congratulate the Consolidated Cigar Corporation on its accomplishments and wish it continued growth and success in the years to come.

ELECTIVE TOWN OFFICIALS

SELECTMEN

William F. Connery First	Brereton H. Mucklow Second	R. Gordon Wooldridge Third
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TOWN CLERK

John A. Miller

TOWN TREASURER

Mervin B. Edmonston

TAX COLLECTOR

Dorothy B. Finney

BOARD OF TAX REVIEW

<i>1959</i> Charles R. Saglio	<i>1961</i> Alden F. Smith	<i>1961</i> Merritt B. Pratt
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Herbert T. Clark	Elizabeth D. Wilcox
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BOARD OF FINANCE

<i>1959</i> Edward V. Schoelzel Harley J. Brook	<i>1961</i> John Q. Goodrich William G. Affleck	<i>1963</i> Henry S. Beers Earl H. Hodge
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BOARD OF EDUCATION

<i>1959</i> James F. Breen Charles A. Bader	<i>1961</i> Anne R. Gustafson Helen M. Shaw	<i>1963</i> Verl S. Lewis William K. Paynter
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TOWN PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION

<i>1959</i> Henry J. Carini M. William Goodwin	<i>1961</i> C. Donald Robin J. C. Cruickshanks	<i>1963</i> John Milardo George T. LaBonne, Jr.
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

<i>1958</i> Edward C. Grimshaw	<i>1959</i> Robert E. Goodrich	<i>1960</i> Richard W. Allen
<i>1961</i> N. F. Kuntzelman	<i>1962</i> Donald H. Hunt	

(Figures indicate expiration of term)

POLICE COMMISSION

<i>1959</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1963</i>
John F. Casella	Robert J. Lewis	Donald C. Hotchkiss
Joseph A. Goodhue	Harold W. Jones	William H. Mino

FIRE COMMISSION

<i>1959</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1963</i>
Dwight E. Weir	Edmund Bellotti	Robert G. Parks
Gerard D. Cusson	John Maggi	Lyman F. Matson

WELFARE COMMISSION

<i>1959</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1963</i>
John M. Finney	Harriett K. Hyyppa	Mario Accornero
Mary M. Downes	James A. McAvoy	Ruth Whittemore

DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

<i>1959</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1963</i>
Alice Gurney	Fred L. Hurd	Mary W. Doherty
Emily B. Pickford	Alice J. Demar	Thomas B. Rhines

INCORPORATORS GLASTONBURY FREE ACADEMY

<i>1958</i>	<i>1959</i>	<i>1960</i>
Kosma J. Thurz	Josie Lavalette	Marnee Hellier
Byron H. Griswold	Howard T. O'Connell	Robert M. Taylor

AGENTS OF TOWN DEPOSIT FUND

Charles Ames	Jane Carrier	Butler L. Ripley
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CONSTABLES

George A. Preli	Allan B. Roth, Jr.
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(Figures indicate expiration of term)

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN COUNSEL

Edward C. Wynne

ASSESSOR

Ray W. Walz

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Laurence Paquin

BUSINESS MGR. OF SCHOOLS

E. John Vincenti

WELFARE DIRECTOR

Hazel N. Hutt

FIRE MARSHAL

Albert W. Dickau

HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. Joseph Raffa

ACTING HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. Edwin M. Griswold

SANITARIAN

John Potkay

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Col. John Harry

CHIEF OF POLICE

Terrence J. McKaig

TOWN ENGINEER

William D. E. Colgan

TREE WARDEN

George H. Shipman

DOG WARDEN

Frank Kocum

DEPUTY DOG WARDEN

Joseph Bisi

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Bernard W. Funk

Robert C. Allen

James S. Forbes

William K. Paynter (ex-officio)

Harry Nickel

William F. Connery (ex-officio)

Merritt B. Pratt

Brereton H. Mucklow (ex-officio)

Peter Monaco

R. Gordon Wooldridge (ex-officio)

DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

1958

J. William Purtill

1959

Alden G. Hastings

1960

Gordon R. Wooldridge

1961

Henry N. Igo

1962

Caleb H. O'Connor

GLASTONBURY SEWER COMMISSION

1958

Henry Saglio

1959

Edwin B. Burdick

1960

John S. Purtill

1961

Alden G. Hastings

1962

Ross C. Powell

(Figures indicate expiration of term)

GLASTONBURY PUBLIC BUILDING COMMITTEE

1958	1959	1960
Howard S. Bidwell	John J. Mozzochi	Martin L. Roser
1961	1962	
John A. Carini	Albert E. Moseley	
James F. Breen (ex-officio—Board of Education)		
Earl H. Hodge (ex-officio—Board of Finance)		
Brereton H. Mucklow (ex-officio—Board of Selectmen)		

GLASTONBURY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Laurence Paquin (Chairman)	Joseph A. Goodhue	Mrs. Henry Beers
Mrs. Norma Sestero	Rev. Carl Blake	William F. Connery
Henry Hallas	J. William Purtill	Gerard Cusson
Mrs. John M. Tyler	Terrence J. McKaig	George Harrington
Rev. John J. Graham	John H. Hanna	Henry Carini
	William H. Mino	William Roche

GLASTONBURY TOWN COURT

Walter M. Downes <i>Judge</i>	George Ripley <i>Deputy Judge</i>
Harvey A. Katz <i>Prosecutor and Clerk</i>	Henry Borawski <i>Probation Officer</i>
Robert J. Hale <i>Assistant Prosecutor</i>	Earl C. Goodale <i>Court Officer</i>
Nellie Phillips <i>Clerk, Small Claims Division</i>	

JURY COMMITTEE

J. Daniel Ferraris	Mrs. Addie M. Tiger
Mrs. Nora Hughes	

OFF STREET PARKING COMMISSION

1958	1959	1960
Frank G. Hodge	Leonard Belair	William Hudson
1961	1962	
Paul Silvergleid	William Roche	

(Figures indicate expiration of term)

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETINGS (Abridged)

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 24, 1956

Richard G. Williams, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

Mr. Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That Margaret Lane, Glazier Drive, Echo Lane, Clinton Street Extension and Cooper Drive, be accepted as town roads.

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Motion carried unanimously.

Mervin Edmonston, speaking for the Town Buildings Committee offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury purchase a piece of land containing 8.28 acres on Main Street in the Town of Glastonbury from Francesco Taddei for the sum of \$45,000 as a site for public buildings.

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Martin Roser remarked on the resolution and spoke in favor of same. B. Floyd Turner spoke against the resolution. He asked costs of roads, grading and a water main. John Carini stated cost of road and a water main would be about \$2500. Mrs. Frank Clark and Herbert Whittemore voiced opposition to the site recommended. A standing vote was called for by the chair. Henry Beers and Richard Walsh were tellers. The motion was carried by a vote of 44 to 31.

John Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the purchase of said property of Francesco Taddei as recommended by the Board of Finance, and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to expend said appropriation on behalf of the Town, and to examine and accept a deed on behalf of the Town for the said property and as part of said purchase price to execute two promissory notes on behalf of the Town to the said Francesco Taddei, each in the amount of \$16,000, one being due and payable on January 2, 1957, and the other on January 2, 1958, said notes not to carry interest. On a voice vote,

the resolution was declared carried, with about the same number of dissenting votes as the previous question.

John Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury appropriate the sum of \$2,500 as recommended by the Board of Finance for the construction of a town road and the installation of an 8" water main on the roadway leading northerly from Williams Street as shown on said map of said Taddei property.

On a voice vote, the chair declared the resolution as carried.

John Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Glastonbury Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to draw from the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-recurring Expenditures in the amount of \$45,000 to defray said first appropriation, and in the amount of \$2,500 to defray said second appropriation.

On a voice vote, the resolution was declared carried.

John Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town Treasurer be authorized to transfer as of August 31, 1956, the sum of \$50,000 from the General Fund surplus to the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-recurring Expenditures. This motion was carried unanimously.

Bruce Richards offered the following resolution:

Resolved: To authorize and direct the Glastonbury Public Building Committee to make a study as to the type and size of a Town Office building to be placed on the tract of land to be purchased from Francesco Taddei. This resolution was carried unanimously.

Town Counsel Edward Wynne spoke on the item of discontinuing 3 old town roads, namely, part of Dayton Road, part of Three Mile Road and all of Begin Road. Mr. Wynne stated that in his opinion, a town meeting could legally discontinue these roads due to the fact that there were no dwellings on same and that these roads were not used actively by adjoining land owners or others. Mr. Wynne also stated that he did not believe property owners bordering these old roads would have legal rights of way

over same if a town meeting voted to discontinue such roads. He made no recommendations for or against discontinuance. Several property owners affected by such discontinuance, if it were voted, spoke against taking any such action.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 8, 1956

Richard G. Williams, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

B. Floyd Turner offered the following resolution:

Whereas, at a duly called Town meeting held on September 24, 1956, in the Town of Glastonbury, the following resolutions were adopted:

1. Authorizing the Town of Glastonbury to purchase 8.28 acres on Main Street from Francesco Taddei for the sum of \$45,000 as a site for public buildings;

2. Appropriating the sum of \$45,000 for the purchase of said property;

3. Appropriating the sum of \$2500 for the construction of a town road and the installation of a water main leading from Williams Street;

4. Authorizing the Town Treasurer to draw from the reserve fund said two sums of \$45,000 and \$2500 respectively; and

Whereas, this meeting has been duly warned and called by the Selectmen of the Town of Glastonbury upon the written request of the required number of taxpayers to rescind the actions taken and the resolutions passed in the above mentioned Town Meeting;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that all action taken and all resolutions passed relating to the purchase of said Francesco Taddei's property be, and hereby are, rescinded.

Henry Hallas offered an amendment that all votes on this resolution be by secret ballot.

It was moved that Mr. Hallas' amending motion be tabled until after discussion on Mr. Turner's motion was completed. So voted.

Herbert Whittemore remarked at length in favor of Mr. Turner's original resolution. He favored a location somewhere easterly of the site proposed by the Buildings Committee.

Harvey Katz asked if a Town garage was really contemplated on the proposed site. He asked for construction of a new Town Office Building in the very near future.

Martin Roser, speaking as a member of the Town Buildings Committee, reviewed the studies of this committee. He specified they had studied the Old Academy and Williams Memorial site, a Buttonball Lane site and a New London Turnpike site. None had the qualifications of the Taddei property in their opinion. Mr. Roser added that using the location for a Town garage was not seriously intended when recommending Taddei property. He also stated that a professional appraisal was obtained and it was in line with the \$45,000 figure asked.

Mrs. Delano Wheeler asked a question of Mr. Roser as to what departments of the Town government were immediately considered for this site. Mr. Roser stated that all departments in the Town Office, the Police Department and the Town Court were considered.

Arthur Goethner, speaking in opposition to the Taddei site, thought the price, the possibilities of a Town garage being located there and zoning variances were his principal objections to the site.

Prentiss Glazier, John Jacob, and Mrs. B. Floyd Turner spoke against acquisition of the Taddei site.

Edwin Burdick and Thomas Rhines spoke of some advantages of the site.

Aaron Kinne moved the question.

Henry Hallas withdrew his amendment that the vote be taken by secret or paper ballot.

J. William Purtill then offered an amendment that the vote be a rising vote and a show of hands. This amendment was declared by the chair to be carried.

Tellers appointed were:

William H. Carrier, Jr.

Thomas B. Rhines

James Tisdale

J. Keith Gustafson

The tellers reported the vote on Mr. Turner's resolution as follows:

202 in Favor

197 Against

There was a call for a recount but the chair stated that since some people were already leaving, there would be no recount and the motion to rescind was carried.

Walter Downes offered a suggestion that the question be put on the voting machines in November. Harry Porter offered this suggestion as a resolution. The chair declared no action could be taken at this meeting as this was not on the call of this meeting.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee of five electors of the Town to study the parking situation in the center of the Town of Glastonbury and to report their findings to a Special Town meeting not later than February 1, 1957. This resolution was unanimously carried.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 29, 1956

Rev. Karl Blake, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the final report of the Buttonball School Building Committee be accepted and placed on file and that the Committee be discharged. Thomas Rhines spoke on behalf of the Building Committee and the resolution was unanimously carried.

William Roche offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the question of adopting the provisions in Public Act 409 of the 1955 Session of the General Assembly, an act concerning bazaars and raffles, shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the Town of Glastonbury on Tuesday, November 6, 1956, between the hours of 6:00 A. M. and 7:00 P. M., said vote to be by voting machine and in the manner prescribed by said Public Act 409.

William Englebert, Bernard Funk, Elizabeth Clark and Rev. Karl Blake spoke against passage of the resolution.

Stanley Slusar, Frank Delmastro, William Roche, John Carini and A. M. Beebe spoke in favor of the resolution.

On the question, there were 30 in favor and 14 against. The motion was declared carried.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Honor Roll of World War Two Veterans erected on the Town Office Building site be dismantled and that the Public Building Committee be instructed to give consideration to a permanent plaque to be installed in the interior of the new Town Office Building when constructed. Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 14, 1956

Arthur Goethner, Moderator C. Donald Robin, Clerk

John Mozzochi offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury purchase a piece of land containing 8.28 acres on Main Street in the Town of Glastonbury from Francesco Taddei for the sum of \$45,000 as a site for a Town Office Building:

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Martin Roser spoke in favor of the resolution and expressed the background of the Building Committee's recommendation. He stated that the Building Committee's main reason for the Main Street location was because of its closeness and convenience to the business center.

Herbert Whittemore spoke in opposition to the resolution. He spoke in favor of a location on the New London Turnpike near Hubbard Street, or a site on Hebron Avenue.

Alfred Dussault spoke in favor of the resolution.

Theodore Gurney explained the position of the Town Plan and Zoning Commission. He said the location on the Taddei lot would lead to great pressure to rezone Main Street to Business Zone from the Taddei lot north to the Center. Mr. Gurney stated that the Commission voted to give an unfavorable report. In answer to questions Mr. Gurney stated that the vote to give an unfavorable report was 4 in favor and 3 opposed.

Mrs. Sperry Morway moved that the Resolution be tabled.

Mr. Frank Hodge moved that a standing vote be allowed. The motion for a standing vote was passed.

The vote on Mrs. Morway's motion to table was:

In favor of tabling 72

Against tabling 153

The motion to table being thus defeated.

Mr. Hodge moved to end debate on the question, which motion was passed by a standing vote.

The vote on Mr. Mozzochi's original resolution was:

154 in favor

73 opposed

The resolution was declared carried.

John Goodrich offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the purchase of said property of Francesco Taddei as a site for a Town Office Building as recommended by the Board of Finance, and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to expend said appropriation on behalf of the Town, and to examine and accept a deed on behalf of the Town for the said property and as part of said purchase price to execute two promissory notes on behalf of the Town to the said Francesco Taddei, each in the amount of \$16,000, one being due and payable on January 2, 1957, and the other on January 2, 1958, said notes not to carry interest.

John Jacobs spoke in opposition.

On a voice vote, the resolution was declared carried.

Joseph Goodhue offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury appropriate the sum of \$2,500 as recommended by the Board of Finance for the construction of a town road and the installation of an 8" water main on the roadway leading northerly from Williams Street as shown on said map of said Taddei property, and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to expend said appropriation on behalf of the Town. This resolution was passed by a voice vote.

Martin Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Glastonbury Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to draw from the Reserve Fund for Capital

and Non-recurring Expenditures in the amount of \$45,000 to defray said first appropriation, and in the amount of \$2,500 to defray said second appropriation. This resolution was passed by a voice vote.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

November 19, 1956

William F. Connery, Moderator John A. Miller, Clerk

Arthur Goethner offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the reports of all the Town Officers and Commissions be accepted as printed in the 1955-1956 Annual Town Report. So voted.

John Roser spoke on the Budget for the ensuing fiscal year and explained various departmental increases requested. He offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Budget for the fiscal year 1956-1957 as prepared by the Board of Finance in the sum of \$1,769,500.58 be adopted. So voted.

Joseph Goodhue offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Treasurer of the Town be authorized to borrow on the faith and credit of the Town a sum not to exceed \$900,000 for the current expenses of the Town during the ensuing year and to issue therefor the note or notes of the Town and in renewal thereof as needed. So voted.

John Goodrich offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Annual Town Tax due on the list of 1956 be payable in two equal installments due April 1, 1957 and July 1, 1957 with the provision that tax bills under \$30.00 be paid in one installment due April 1, 1957. So voted.

Martin Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury appropriate the sum of \$25,000 as recommended by the Board of Finance for the preparation of preliminary and working drawings for an elementary school on the former Nordstrom property on Hebron Avenue and for engineering services involved in the making of a topographical survey of the site of the proposed school and to authorize the Public Building Committee to expend said appropriation.

Question was raised whether sidewalks along Hebron Avenue were contemplated in the plans. Mr. Mather, architect, stated they were not being now planned.

Motion then carried unanimously.

John Goodrich offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town Treasurer be authorized to draw on the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-recurring Expenditures to the extent of \$25,000 to defray the aforesaid appropriation. So voted.

Harry Porter spoke for the Town Water Committee, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved: By the people of Glastonbury, in annual town meeting assembled, that we favor the inauguration of the practice of adjusting the fluorine content of our public water supplies to the desirable optimum (1 ppm) as recommended by our Health Officer, by the State Department of Health and by all recognized associations state and national, concerned with public health, in the interest of better dental well-being for our oncoming generations, and hereby and herewith respectfully request the Commissioners of the Metropolitan District of Hartford, to authorize provision therefor with as little further delay as may be necessary.

On a standing vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

There were about 100 persons in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 28, 1957

Richard Williams, Moderator John A. Miller, Clerk

Bernard Funk offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee of seven electors of the town to make a study as to the advisability of the town acquiring the Great Pond Area for a park and for recreational purposes, and to submit their findings, including acquisition costs, to a special town meeting to be held not later than October 1, 1957.

This motion was carried unanimously.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That this meeting gives its approbation to the discontinuance by the Selectmen of that portion of Hebron Avenue as lies outside of the relocation of Hebron Avenue.

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This motion was carried unanimously.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That Randolph Drive, Robin Avenue and Lakewood Road be accepted as Town roads.

This motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Connery stated that a resolution in the call of the meeting asking for a discontinuance of a portion of Dayton Road had been withdrawn.

Mr. Connery offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved that we, the legal voters of the Town of Glastonbury, in Town meeting assembled, hereby authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreements in the name and on behalf of the Town of Glastonbury with the Highway Commissioner for the expenditure of all funds to be available to said Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1957, under the provisions of Chapter 106, as amended, of the General Statutes.

This motion was carried unanimously.

Edward Richardson read a progress report for the Parking Study Committee and offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Glastonbury Parking Study Committee be continued with the next progress report to be presented no later than June 30, 1957.

Motion unanimously carried.

There were about 50 persons in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

February 25, 1957

Henry S. Beers, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

Mr. Connery reported receiving a petition for a Town Ordinance regulating hours of package store closing.

The Ordinance proposed was read by the Clerk as follows:

"Be it hereby ordained by authority of and pursuant to Section 2170D of the 1955 Supplement to the Connecticut General Statutes as follows:

1. The sale or dispensing of alcoholic liquors in all places in the Town of Glastonbury operating under package store permits shall be unlawful on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays after 8 o'clock P.M., and on Fridays and Saturdays after 9 o'clock P.M.

2. This ordinance shall become effective on March 1, 1957.

Motion was made by Raymond Friel to adopt this ordinance.

Harvey Katz spoke in opposition to the proposal. A few store owners also spoke in opposition. After some discussion, vote was by show of hands and the result was:

23 in favor of the proposed ordinance

32 against.

The chair declared the motion lost.

Martin Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the resolution which created the Glastonbury Public Building Committee at a special town meeting held on October 17, 1955, be amended so that the fourth paragraph thereof should read as follows:

"And in addition to the five active members there shall be one ex-officio member **with full voting rights** appointed by the Board of Selectmen from its membership, one similarly appointed by the Board of Finance, and one similarly appointed by the Board of Education."

This resolution was carried unanimously.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 29, 1957

Henry S. Beers, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

John Roser offered a resolution as follows:

Resolved: That this meeting appoint a committee of five to review the salaries of elected Town officials and report to a Town meeting on or before Aug. 31, 1957. This motion was carried.

It was then moved to reconsider this resolution, and so carried.

The motion was then amended to state "The Board of Finance appoint a committee of five to study salaries and to report to a Town meeting on or before August 31, 1957."

This was carried unanimously.

Martin Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the town ordinance passed by Town Meeting of November 10, 1950, concerning expenditures in excess of \$1,000 be amended so that Section 2 thereof shall read as follows:

"2. Said official, commission or committee shall have one public opening of any sealed bids or proposals received and such public opening shall be in the Town Office Building or at the Academy School Auditorium, 2143 Main Street, at the time specified in the newspaper publication."

This resolution was unanimously carried.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That this meeting approve discontinuance by the Selectmen in accordance with Section 2147 of the General Statutes, of that portion of Dayton Road beginning at a point 1190 feet southeasterly from the intersection of Hickory Drive and Dayton Road and running thence southeasterly and southerly to the Portland town line.

Emily Root, John Carini, Herbert Clark, Lyman Matson, Ben Funk, Harry Hall, Mrs. Lewis Taylor, Mrs. John Tyler, Ellis Nye, and Town Counsel Edward Wynne discussed the motion at length. On a show of hands, the motion was declared lost.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Town of Glastonbury accept as a Town road the extension of Goodrich Road. So carried.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

May 27, 1957

Henry S. Beers, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

Robert Parks offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an appropriation of \$16,500 be made as recommended by the Board of Finance to defray all costs, including plans

and specifications, with respect to construction of an addition to Company No. 1 Firehouse at 2825 Main Street, Glastonbury.

This motion was unanimously carried.

John Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Glastonbury Town Treasurer be authorized to draw from the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-recurring Expenditures the amount of \$16,500 to defray the above said appropriation. This motion was carried unanimously.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Lincoln Drive and Lincoln Drive Extension be accepted by the Town.

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This motion was carried unanimously.

Martin Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the State Building Code duly accepted by the Town of Glastonbury be hereby amended * * * to read as follows: "Fees. Before receiving a building permit, the owner or his agent, except when the owner is the Town of Glastonbury, shall pay the fees specified in Table 1, except where fees are established by the Building Department."

(Table 1 to remain as is)

This motion was carried unanimously.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 1, 1957

Thomas B. Rhines, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

Martin Roser, speaking for the Public Building Committee, offered a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Report of the Glastonbury Public Building Committee be accepted and that the appointment of said Committee consisting of Martin L. Roser, Albert E. Moseley, James G. Tisdale, John J. Mozzochi, Howard S. Bidwell, John A. Carini, John Q. Goodrich and James F. Breen is ratified and confirmed and said Committee, in addition to such general powers as may inhere in a building committee, is vested with the following specific powers and duties;

A. To authorize the expenditure of such appropriation as may be made at this meeting for the construction of an elementary school on town owned property on the north side of Hebron Avenue, including furnishings and equipment therefor, ground development and landscaping, architects' and engineers' fees and other expenses incidental thereto, to name its chairman and secretary, to fill such vacancies as may occur in its membership, and to contract with architects, contractors and others in the name and on behalf of the Town.

B. No member of such Building Committee shall receive any compensation for his services as such, but the necessary expenses of said committee shall be paid and included in the cost of said building. The records of the Building Committee shall be open to inspection by any person qualified to vote at town meeting, and upon completion of said school building project, said Committee shall make a complete report and accounting to the Selectmen and the Town.

Mr. Roser remarked on his motion. Mr. Lyons, architect, showed slides of the proposed school project, explained the building proposal in detail, and answered questions from the floor.

On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously carried.

John Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That * * * * * the sum of \$642,000 be appropriated for the construction of an elementary school on town owned property on the north side of Hebron Avenue, * * * * *

On question of how figure of \$642,000 was arrived at prior to receipt of actual bids, Mr. Lyons explained that this figure was determined by rechecking previous bids which were received and rejected in June, 1957, and then deleting portions of original plans, plus allowing a contingent fund for unexpected extras.

On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously carried.

John Goodrich offered the following resolution:

Whereas, it will be necessary to issue bonds in the sum of \$642,000 to defray the aforesaid appropriation * * * * * and such issue will not cause the aggregate net indebtedness of the town to exceed 10% of its grand list;

Now Therefore, Resolved, That the town issue its serial bonds
* * * * * in the principal sum of \$642,000

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the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to determine the form of such bonds, and, with the Treasurer, to sell such bonds at public or private sale, to deliver such bonds on behalf of the town, and to do all other acts necessary and appropriate to complete the issue of such bonds. This motion was carried unanimously.

James Tisdale offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to apply to the State Board of Education of the State of Connecticut for state aid, and be it further **Resolved,** That said Board of Selectmen be authorized to accept or reject such state aid grant in the name of the town on the following school building project;

Elementary School on Hebron Avenue

This motion was unanimously carried.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the town authorize and direct the First Selectman, William Connery to file on behalf of the Town of Glastonbury an application * * * * * requesting payment by the United States of America of funds to assist * * * * * in meeting the cost of constructing and equipping said elementary school * * * * *

This motion was unanimously carried.

John Roser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Town issue its temporary notes from time time in an amount not exceeding * * * * * \$642,000, in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized at this meeting; * * * * *

This motion was unanimously carried.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, that Farmstead Lane be accepted as a Town road
* * * * *

This motion was unanimously carried.

William Roche presented a report of progress for the Parking Study Committee. He motioned that the committee's report be accepted and placed on file. R. G. Williams offered an amendment that the recommendations of this committee be brought before a future town meeting. The amendment and original motion were unanimously carried.

It was voted that the Parking Study Committee be discharged with a vote of thanks.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 22, 1957

Walter Downes, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

Arthur Goethner, speaking as chairman of the Glastonbury Housing Authority, read a report of the Housing Authority to the Town of Glastonbury, on the proposal for the Town's acquisition of Welles Village and outlined the conditions of such acquisition.

Mr. Goethner offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the report of the Housing Authority of the Town of Glastonbury be accepted and approved and placed on file with the minutes of this meeting. Motion carried.

Rallston Sherman, a member of the Housing Authority of the Town of Glastonbury offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale by the Housing and Finance Administrator of all right, title and interest of the United States (including any off site easements) in and to War Housing Project CONN-6028 known as Welles Village, containing one hundred and ninety-nine (199) dwelling units on approximately thirty-four and one-half ($34\frac{1}{2}$) acres of land in Glastonbury, Connecticut, to the Housing Authority of the Town of Glastonbury, Connecticut, for use in providing moderate rental housing for a purchase price of Six Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand (\$648,000) Dollars payable out of income over a period of thirty (30) years, with interest at four and one-half ($4\frac{1}{2}$) per cent, and without down payment, moratorium on payment of principal and interest for the first year following purchase to allow accumulation of necessary reserves, the interest for the first year to be added to the purchase price, be and hereby is approved pursuant to and in accordance with the 1955 Federal Housing Amendments to the National Housing Act, and the Board of Select-

men are hereby authorized and empowered to execute on behalf of the Town, such contracts and papers with said Housing Authority as are necessary in connection with the transaction.

On question of what was considered moderate income, Mr. Goethner answered the state considers \$3600 per couple plus \$600 for each additional dependent, plus a 20% leeway as moderate income.

On question of what would happen if the project becomes not self supporting, Mr. Goethner stated that Federal Housing Authority probably would take back the property for the balance due on the mortgage.

On a voice vote, the motion was declared carried with a scattered no vote.

There were approximately 100 persons in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 29, 1957

Henry S. Beers, Moderator

John A. Miller, Clerk

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Town Plan and Zoning Commission, Natchaug Drive, Baldwin Lane, and Pippin Drive be accepted as town roads, * * *

Motion carried unanimously.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Town of Glastonbury agrees to extend the agreement between Francesco Taddei and the Town concerning property purchased from him by the Town so that the period within which the buildings on the premises must be removed shall be extended for one year to November 15, 1958, subject to appropriate conditions and subject to a contract being executed between Mr. Taddei and the Town of Glastonbury covering such extension, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign such contract on behalf of the Town.

The motion almost unanimously carried.

Mrs. William Paynter read a report for the Salary Study Committee in the absence of Harvey Katz, chairman.

The report recommended increasing the salary of the First Selectman from \$6,000 per year to \$7,200 per year. It also recom-

mended increasing the hourly rate of pay for the Registrars of Voters from \$2.00 per hour to \$2.50 per hour. No changes were recommended for the remaining elected officials. It was moved that the recommendations of the report be adopted and this motion was unanimously carried.

Moved that the committee's report be accepted and placed on file and that the committee be discharged with a vote of thanks. So carried.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

August 19, 1957

Henry S. Beers, Moderator

Mrs. John M. Tyler, Clerk

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Town of Glastonbury apply for membership and to participate in the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance System * * * * * as of 1st of January 1956 for all its employees in positions covered by the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Fund.

There were questions on this subject asked by Robert Merritt and Richard Walsh and clarifying answers were given by Henry Beers, who is chairman of the State Employees Retirement Commission, and First Selectman Connery. On a voice vote this resolution was unanimously carried.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the First Selectman shall execute on behalf and in the name of the Town of Glastonbury, any and all agreements with the State Employee's Retirement Commission for the aforesaid purpose, * * * * *. This motion carried.

William Connery offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the First Selectman of the Town of Glastonbury be and is hereby authorized and directed to make deductions from the wages of the employees participating in the aforesaid Old-Age and Survivors Insurance System * * * * * and to forward the amount thereof together with the contribution of the Town of Glastonbury to the State Employee's Retirement Commission, * * * * *. Motion was carried.

The meeting, of ten townspeople, including officials present, was adjourned.

R E P O R T S

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen met weekly throughout the year to approve bills, sign checks, appoint certain Town Officials and Committees and to execute the directives of Town Meetings and all other essential business.

Public Act No. 604 of the 1957 Session of the General Assembly and Section No. 1183d of the 1955 Supplement to the General Statutes provided for an increase in Glastonbury grants from the State Highway Funds from \$54,163.00 in 1956 to \$66,180.00 in 1957. These funds will be expended according to agreements between the Board of Selectmen and the State Highway Commissioner. The major portion of these funds will be spent on maintenance of improved roads as indicated by the following agreements now in effect: \$15,000.00 from an agreement dated May 31, 1957 and \$30,000.00 from an agreement dated August 22, 1957. In addition to this \$45,000.00 the amount of \$2,240.89 from an unexpended balance (1956) will be used on the annual maintenance of improved roads. About four and one half miles of roads were armor-coated this year which is consistent with the usual policy of armor-coating to reduce maintenance costs.

Improvements to Chestnut Hill Road were begun and were interrupted due to the oiling program which takes place during July and August.

The Board is confronted with continued requests for highway improvements which of necessity will depend on the taxpayers' will to provide more tax dollars. With the increased traffic on our highway system the improvement program should be accelerated in keeping with a stable tax rate.

The Public Building Committee was instructed by the Board of Finance to give priority consideration to the construction of a Town Garage to house highway equipment and attention is now being focused on an adequate site for such construction.

Garbage and rubbish collection service has been improved with the establishment of a service by a new independent contractor who is rendering satisfactory service and will expand his facilities as the occasion warrants.

The action of the Town Meeting in appropriating \$40,000.00 for engineering plans for an adequate sewage disposal system was a forward step in solving a problem that has continually vexed the Board of Selectmen since the year 1935.

The Public Works Department continues to expand its services for all other Town Departments and records disclose that 1274 man hours were devoted to services other than highway between April 1, 1957 and September 1, 1957.

During the month of August a record was kept of the individual trips to the Town Dump and this record discloses that 2173 such trips were made to deposit rubbish in an amount ranging from a bushel to a truck load. This increased use of the Town Dump would indicate that former estimates were too optimistic concerning the length of time the present site could be utilized.

The Board of Selectmen with other Town Agencies met with engineers from the State Highway Department in regard to the relocation of the New London Turnpike (Route No. 2). Four alternate routes were considered and it was the consensus of the combined agencies that the easterly route as suggested by the State Highway Department would best serve the interests of the Town of Glastonbury. A public hearing will be held by the State Highway Department in the future to consider the establishment of street lines for the easterly route.

Work has begun on the construction of the Glastonbury-Wethersfield Bridge by the Greater Hartford Bridge Authority and the Board of Selectmen and the Town Plan and Zoning Commission met with the Bridge Authority and gave tentative approval to the establishment of street lines for the bridge approach.

The Board of Selectmen take this opportunity to express their appreciation for the cooperation of all other Boards, Commissions, Committees and Officials in their effort to provide public services within budget limitations that the residents of Glastonbury expect and to which they are entitled.

Board of Selectmen	{ WILLIAM F. CONNERY
	{ BRUCE E. RICHARDS
	{ JOHN A. CARINI

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
to the
GLASTONBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
1956-1957

To the Board of Education:

This report of my first year as superintendent of schools in Glastonbury has been prepared so that the citizens of the community will have a better understanding of the local schools, knowledge of the progress that has been made during 1956-1957, and a further glimpse of some of the problems and issues which will need to be resolved in the years immediately ahead.

At best, this report can only survey the highlights of the year. It cannot possibly convey a full understanding of the scope and size of the local public school system. Neither can it record properly the time and energy "over and beyond the call of duty" graciously and generously given by members of the Board of Education, the school administration, members of the teaching staff, and countless individual citizens.

No person at all informed about the times in which we live needs to be told that public schools today are in a critical situation. Confronted with steadily increasing enrollments, a lack of proper classroom facilities, a serious shortage of teachers, increasing demands from parents and other citizens, and a shortage of funds made more acute by inflation — it is not surprising that public education has not made great strides forward. Actually, when one really examines the problems facing schools today, the surprise is that our schools are as good as they are.

Glastonbury can well be proud of its schools and their progress — but Glastonbury citizens cannot be complacent and self-satisfied. It is trite but true — a public school system does not stand still; if it does not go forward, it will go backward!

Schools and Staff

During 1956-1957, the Glastonbury Public Schools were in operation for a total of 180 days. The buildings which were in regular use in the instructional program are as follows:

Elementary

Academy	Grades 1-6	526 pupils
Buttonball Lane	Grades 1-6	382 pupils
Eastbury	Grades 1-6	189 pupils
High Street	Grades 1-6	185 pupils
Naubuc	Grades 1-5	256 pupils

Secondary

High School	Grades 7-12	1085 pupils
Neipsic	Vocational-Agriculture	
Total	Grades 1-12	2623 pupils

During the school year 1956-1957, there were 188 persons on the school staff. These were distributed as follows:

Elementary teachers	56
Secondary teachers	66
Other personnel	12
Total certified personnel	134
Secretarial staff	9
Health staff	3
Custodial-Maintenance staff	16
Cafeteria staff	12
Bus drivers	14
Total	54
Aggregate total	188

Instructional Program

- Some of the significant developments in the improvement of the instructional program in the Glastonbury schools which were carried on during 1956-1957 are as follows:

1. The system of report cards used in both the elementary and secondary schools was given careful study by faculty

committees. This review of the procedures for reporting to parents resulted in the development of new report cards to go into general use in 1957-1958.

2. New textbooks and other teaching aids were examined by teacher committees and a number of recommendations for new adoptions were submitted to the Board of Education for approval.
3. Field trips of an educational nature and the use of audio-visual materials in instruction received greater emphasis than in the past.
4. Almost two-thirds of the staff took part in a one-day conference designed to help teachers develop better ways of integrating art into the curriculum.
5. A concerted effort has been made to recruit teachers with varied backgrounds and experience.
6. Class size at the elementary school was maintained at a median of 28 pupils. In the high school, the median class size was 25 pupils.
7. The guidance program at the secondary school level was reorganized and additional staff time allocated to this important function. Particular attention is being given to the problem of college admissions.
8. For the first time, pupils at Glastonbury High School have an opportunity to enroll in courses in almost every aspect of industrial arts. The present curricular offerings include woodworking, metalworking, drafting, radio and electricity, power mechanics, and graphic arts.

Physical Plant

During 1956-57, the members of the custodial and maintenance staff working under the supervision of the Business Manager made significant gains in the improvement of the school plant. Some of the major projects initiated or completed during the year are as follows:

1. Pointing of the masonry at Academy I

2. Re-surfacing of driveway and parking area at Glastonbury High School
3. Improvement of service facilities at Board of Education maintenance shop
4. Re-painting of Naubuc School
5. Construction of additional classrooms at Academy School
6. Re-wiring of Academy School
7. Construction of service road from Glastonbury High School to maintenance shop
8. Construction of an incinerator at Academy School
9. Construction of a fence at Eastbury School

Teachers' Salaries

The problem of teacher salaries was one of the major issues confronting the school administration and the Board of Education during 1956-1957. The salary schedule in effect during the year was as follows:

	Minimum	Maximum	Steps
Bachelor's degree	\$3,300	\$5,500	12
Master's degree	3,600	5,800	12

Representatives of the Glastonbury Education Association met intermittently with the Board of Education during the period from January to June. After considerable discussion, the following schedule was accepted for 1957-1958:

	Minimum	Maximum	Steps
Bachelor's degree	\$3,700	\$5,900	12
Master's degree	4,000	6,200	12

Teacher Recruitment

As school enrollments continue to climb not only in Glastonbury but elsewhere, it is becoming increasingly difficult to get and keep good teachers. During 1956-1957, the school administration made a special effort to not only get teachers from a wider territory, but also from a greater variety of colleges. Thirty new

teachers had to be secured for the 1957-1958 school year to replace teachers who resigned or to provide for increased numbers of pupils. Of the new teachers hired for 1957-1958, two-thirds came from communities or colleges outside of Connecticut. Half of the new members of the staff came to Glastonbury after having had previous teaching experience.

There was a time when teacher recruitment was an activity generally confined to the spring months. This is no longer true. At the present time, it is a continuous process — and a process which requires more and more time of the administrative staff.

Citizen's Conference on the Public Schools

One of the highlights of the school year was the conference held in March by a group of Glastonbury citizens interested in the local schools. Approximately 300 parents, teachers, Board of Education members, town officials, and other citizens met to learn more about the schools and to suggest ways for improving them. This "grass roots" conference of Glastonbury citizens interested in good schools was most gratifying and a manifestation of civic interest which should be and presumably will be encouraged.

Building Program

The High School expansion project is virtually complete. The installation of exterior lighting equipment and landscaping of the grounds are the major tasks which remain. In addition, there are certain items of specialized equipment which are to be purchased. It is likely that the entire project will be finished early in the fall of 1957 and a final report made by the Building Committee at that time.

During 1956-1957, the school administration worked closely with the Public Building Committee in the development of plans and specifications for the fourteen room elementary school to be erected on Hebron Avenue. It is reassuring to know that this school is in the process of construction and will be ready for occupancy in September, 1958.

In addition to the foregoing, the school administration has worked to secure a regional Vocational-Agriculture center for Glas-

tonbury. The 1957 legislature authorized the construction of one such center. Glastonbury is one of nine communities in the state being considered as the location for such a center. The decision regarding the allocation of this center will be made by the State Department of Education in the fall of 1957.

Transportation

During 1956-1957, approximately 2000 pupils or 78 per cent of the total school population were transported by school busses. Fourteen school busses were in daily operation. The program as carried on under the direction of the Business Manager functioned both efficiently and safely. Special commendation is due the school bus drivers not only for their skill but for their deep sense of responsibility and service.

For Future Consideration

In this, the final section of the annual report of the superintendent of schools, it seems appropriate to cite some of the trends in the local schools and to call attention to some of the problems to be solved or questions to be answered.

1. While Glastonbury has made considerable progress in recent years in regard to teachers' salaries, it would be a mistake to conclude that further action is unnecessary. If Glastonbury is to continue to attract and retain superior teachers, it follows that local salaries and the local teaching situation must be distinctly above average.
2. Greater emphasis needs to be given to curriculum development and to evaluation of the effectiveness of the instructional program.
3. School enrollments continue to increase although at a slower rate than previously.
4. Kindergartens continue to be a matter of considerable local interest. It is suggested that the Board of Education appoint a committee of local citizens to make a complete study of the question of the possibility of kindergartens at this time.

5. According to present estimates, Glastonbury High School will be overloaded in 1958-1959. It is likely that additional secondary school facilities will be needed by September, 1960. The year 1957-1958 is not too soon to begin preliminary studies regarding the possibility of constructing a separate junior high school.
6. Teacher recruitment, while difficult enough at the present time, is likely to get worse in the years immediately ahead. The competition among school systems for the available teachers is intense. Those communities which really take steps to develop better salary schedules, establish good teaching conditions, provide adequate materials of instruction, and generally show in a visible way the interest of the community in good teachers and in good schools will be the communities that attract the best teachers.
7. While Glastonbury has done reasonably well in the support of a proper program of maintenance in its schools, there is still room for improvement. The community's investment in public school buildings is approximately \$4,000,000. It is false economy to skimp on a maintenance program and thus to jeopardize this investment.

Acknowledgments

I wish in this report of my first year as superintendent of schools to thank the members of the Board of Education, my associates on the school staff, the parents and pupils in the Glastonbury Public Schools, the Board of Finance, the Board of Selectmen, the Public Building Committee, the Police Department, and all the civic groups and individual citizens of Glastonbury for their co-operation and assistance. It has been a distinct pleasure to live and work in Glastonbury.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurence G. Paquin,

Superintendent of Schools

GLASTONBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

	Expended 1956-1957	Budget 1957-1958
General Control		
Administrative Salaries	\$ 17,395.75	\$ 18,000.00
Clerical Salaries	13,563.00	10,950.00
Supplies and Expenses	5,825.06	7,500.00
Instruction		
Directors and Consultants	20,880.00	35,400.00
Principals	36,640.00	45,400.00
Teachers	571,282.44	648,900.00
Substitutes	8,580.00	9,000.00
Clerical Salaries	11,150.00	29,600.00
Textbooks	20,309.38	20,600.00
Instructional Supplies	17,063.71	25,250.00
Audio-Visual Aids	2,116.31	4,500.00
Other Supplies and Expenses	12,213.13	15,295.00
Operation		
Custodians' Salaries	57,959.92	67,700.00
Fuel	23,805.83	24,000.00
Water, Lights and Power	18,328.86	19,000.00
Supplies and Expenses	24,075.62	21,000.00
Telephone	2,681.38	3,600.00
Cartage	909.50	850.00
Maintenance		
Supplies and Expenses	35,082.09	35,251.00
Auxiliary		
Library Salaries	11,200.00	12,100.00
Library Expenses	1,803.19	3,600.00
Health Salaries	13,750.00	14,050.00
Health Expenses	1,745.11	1,250.00
Transportation Salaries	22,626.00	22,680.00
Transportation Expenses	13,711.22	16,000.00
Enumeration and Attendance	1,230.64	1,500.00
Cafeteria Management	5,842.07	6,500.00
Adult Education	1,232.00	2,000.00
Contingency	—	10,000.00
Fixed Charges		
Insurance	15,847.25	20,000.00
Capital Outlay		
New Equipment	21,100.33	17,349.00
	<hr/> \$1,009,949.79	<hr/> \$1,168,825.00
Supplemental Appropriation		
Electrical Work—Academy School	\$ 11,249.97	
Re-tubing Boilers—Academy School	1,664.00	
Vacuum Return Pump—High St. School	865.00	
Resurfacing Parking Area—High School	1,221.03	
	<hr/> \$ 15,000.00	

Note: The Budget Appropriation for 1956-57 was \$1,021,035.00.
The total amount expended was \$1,009,949.79.
The balance returned to the Town General Fund was \$11,085.21.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WELLES-TURNER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Welles-Turner Memorial Library was the scene of many and varied activities this past year. The total circulation reached a figure of 107,459, the first time it has ever exceeded 100,000. The average circulation per day increased from 316 to 342. The number of borrowers increased 800 and is now 4458.

The auditorium has been widely used for cultural, educational and musical programs. There were nine exhibitions held in the Art Gallery.

Almost 300 people attended a Sunday afternoon open house held to acquaint the public with the library's resources.

Our library is a participating member in the Middlesex Regional Library Service-center. This supplements our collection of books of a technical nature available to our readers.

The increase in the book collection, now 31,840 volumes, made it necessary to add six sections of shelves in the stack room. Also the building has been painted outside and the rear parking doubled to accommodate the increased use of the library.

The children's summer program was especially successful with 172 participating, 81 receiving diplomas indicating that they had read ten or more books.

The Board was sorry to receive the resignation of Mr. Martin Roser after more than ten years of faithful service.

B. FLOYD TURNER, President

WELLES-TURNER MEMORIAL LIBRARY ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, September 1, 1956	\$ 1,413.14
Town Appropriation	18,000.00
Trustee Account	6,085.73
Agency Account	3,386.17
Interest	76.85
Fines	1,898.91
State Grant	500.00
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	\$31,360.80

EXPENDITURES

Salaries, including F.I.C.A.	\$18,885.68
Books	5,548.49
Supplies	1,025.71
Records	593.56
Periodicals	257.60
Bindery	225.42
Equipment	558.72
Telephone	205.44
Electricity, Fuel and Water	1,666.09
Insurance	579.27
Maintenance	680.54
Paving Rear Parking Lot	518.28
Miscellaneous	226.90
Cash on Hand, August 31, 1957	389.10
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	\$31,360.80

ANSON J. HOPKINS, Treasurer

THE TOWN PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION

The Commission held 27 meetings and three public hearings during the year. Most of the meetings had to do with the study and consideration of new subdivision plans submitted by builders and developers. Before a subdivision plan was approved, the engineering of the road layout and drainage was studied by the Town Engineer, and the layout was checked for conformity with the zoning regulations by the Building Inspector. In some cases, where highway intersections were involved, approval by the Glastonbury Safety Committee was required. The Commission approved residential subdivisions on Olde Village Road and Stage Coach Road in the Buttonball area. Other subdivisions approved were on Natchaug Drive, Manchester Road, Canione Drive, Three Mile Road Extension, Karen Lee Road, and Bell Street.

A significant step in the direction of obtaining more industry in Glastonbury was in the approval of two industrial subdivisions off Oak Street.

The Commission held special meetings with the Bridge Commission and the State Highway Department, to present its recommendations for the location of the Wethersfield-Glastonbury bridge, and the relocation of the New London Turnpike. Both of these projects will have an influence on the development of the town. The Commission strongly recommended the most easterly route of the proposed New London Turnpike, and that exit and entry be provided at Neipsic Road. At this writing, both of these recommendations are in the State's plans.

With the help of Technical Planning Associates, our consultant, the zoning regulations have been completely rewritten. This was done to clarify many ambiguous definitions, and to include needed regulations which were omitted. The new regulations are permissive rather than prohibitive. For example, instead of prohibiting drive-in theaters, gravel pits, and housing in industrial zones, the regulations permit the uses, but prescribe specific circumstances and requirements that must be met before approval can be granted. These new regulations will be presented for consideration by the town at a future public hearing.

A revision of the present Industrial Zone, known as Industrial I, and the creation of a new Industrial Park Zone known as Indus-

trial 2 was approved by the commission and incorporated into the regulations. Industrial 1 continued the present practice of regulating the uses permitted in Industrial Zone, with no limit on the size of the lot. Industrial 2, however, requires a 2500 foot frontage and a minimum of 75 acres per lot, and is intended only for the large industrial park type of development such as might be built for a new division of a large corporation.

New requirements for developers' roads have been designed by the Town Engineer. The purpose of the new requirements is to improve the quality of the roads so that they require less maintenance by the Highway Department.

The Building Inspector and the Town Engineer have both done a very creditable job in assisting the Commission in carrying out its duties.

C. DONALD ROBIN, Chairman

THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The work load of the Zoning Board of Appeals has kept in step with the growth of the Town. During the last year 10 public hearings were held at which 67 applications were presented, a 33% increase over the number of applications heard during the previous year.

Unfortunately for the taxpayer who must bear the administrative cost of the Board and for the members of the Board who contribute their time and services to this civic duty, over half of the applications, 34 in number, were due solely to changes in zoning regulations which made nonconforming many entire areas or developments which were fully conforming at the time of their layout or construction. Because of this, many additions or structural changes to residences on these lots involve an appeal to the Board no matter whether the particular addition or change would, except for the nonconforming character of the whole development, involve a variance from the zoning regulations.

While it is recognized that this is a difficult situation to provide for in any given change in zoning regulations, it is hoped that some solution can be found to cut down on the needless technical appeals for variances in the regulations.

Of the 67 applications heard, 58 were approved including all 34 arising by reason of subsequent changes in the regulations.

More than half the applications were concerned with setback, side line or frontage requirements. The remainder covered such miscellaneous requests as shop permits, trailer homes, used car lots, filling stations, building on other than accepted town roads, and sign variances.

Five of the denial decisions of the Board have been appealed to the Court of Common Pleas. Two of these have been settled without reversing the Board's decision and three are still pending.

The Board is most appreciative of the cooperation it has received from other Town Boards and officers, and will endeavor to the best of its ability to serve the Town in the coming year.

E. C. GRIMSHAW, Chairman

THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

During the fiscal year 1956-57 the number of permits issued for all types of building in the town fell off about 20% from the previous year. The previous year was somewhat abnormal, however, as there was an effort made by certain builders of homes to cover their requirements for houses for a period two years just before the change in the required size of houses in the AA Residence Zone. The actual reduction is probably about 10% from a normal year. This reduction reflects the slowing down of the building industry which has been nationwide.

The total number of building permits issued was 441. Of that total 135 were for new houses with a total estimated cost of construction of \$1,993,885. This makes the cost of the average new house in Glastonbury \$14,775. Forty-three of the permits were for new and enlarged industrial and business construction. The estimated cost for these structures was \$429,921. \$176,000 of this was for the new office building of the Glastonbury Branch of the East Hartford Federal Savings and Loan Association. Considerable expansion has taken place in the Arbor Acres Farm operations and a new industry is the Gray Ledge Turkey Farm. These all represent an estimated cost of \$47,350.

Three new public buildings were started during the year, two of them being St. Paul's Catholic Church and St. James Episcopal Church. The third is the Hebron Avenue School. The valuation placed on these structures was \$287,150 for St. Paul's Church, \$87,000 for the addition to St. James Church and \$545,000 for the Hebron Avenue School.

There were 133 installations of private sanitary sewage disposal systems inspected during the year. These inspections are made for the Town Health Officer in conformity to the sewage disposal ordinance of the Town enacted on February 19, 1942.

There were 124 Master Electricians, 100 Master Plumbers, 84 Master Heating Contractors and 61 Master Oil Burner Contractors registered with this office at the close of the year. This was an increase of 22 Master Electricians, 7 Master Plumbers, 17 Master Heating Contractors, and 12 Master Oil Burner Contractors.

These contractors were issued the permits listed below:

196	Plumbing
267	Electrical
153	Heating
89	Oil Burner

705 Total

1870 actual inspections of work in progress were made during the year.

The total income of the Building Department was \$15,623.52. The operating expense of the office was \$9,807.99. The net income was therefore \$5,815.53. This was sufficient to finance all the activities of the Town Plan and Zoning Commission without expense to the taxpayers of the town.

There were 74 cases of appeals to the Zoning Board of Appeals during this year. The administrative paper work is performed in this office. The income of the board was \$370. This was enough to make this board self-sustaining.

The indexing of all the old records of the department is about 75% complete and the verification of the street numbers of the town is far enough along to complete the work in the new fiscal year.

With the completion of the Glastonbury-Wethersfield Bridge and the great improvement in the means of crossing the Connecticut River resulting from all the bridge and road building, it is anticipated considerable expansion of both home and industrial building can be expected in the coming years. It is the hope of this department to be able to help in such work to the greatest extent possible.

JOHN HARRY
Building Inspector

THE TOWN ENGINEER

Because of the dedicated efforts of predecessor part-time engineers this department was enabled to start auspiciously on a full time basis on May first.

The ground work necessary to the establishment of sound engineering practices and services has been well laid. Upon such a foundation one can expect reasonable results toward office and field enlargement and with it continued improvement in methods and procedures.

The Department, since its new status has been effective, has answered the call of almost every Board and Commission representing the Town. The services ranged throughout fields of planning, designing, estimating, surveying, inspection, drafting, consultancy, with liaison and public relation duties between the Town and State and neighboring municipalities and the Selectmen's Office and the townspeople wherein matters pertinent to the Engineering Department are concerned.

The duties, while surprisingly diversified, are just as completely interesting and too, worthwhile.

It will be the function of this department to make a sincere effort to satisfy the technical needs of the Town, its Boards and Commissions, its officials and all of its people as it takes an official place in the municipal family of the "Finest Growing Town in the State".

WILLIAM D. E. COLGAN
Town Engineer

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

During the past year a number of major fires tested the efficiency and skill of the fire protection service in our town. A total of 160 fire alarms were answered, four of which contributed a fire loss of \$146,717 to the estimated fire loss of \$169,725 suffered during the past year.

Summary of Alarms	Number	Estimated Losses
Buildings and Contents	16	\$168,935
Vehicles	8	710
Oil Burners	7	80
Chimney Fires	10	—
Grass and Brush Fires	88	—
Emergency Calls	10	—
False Alarms	4	—
Still Alarms	7	—
Dump Fires	4	—
Miscellaneous	6	—
	<hr/> 160	<hr/> \$169,725

The alarms answered for the year were 160 as compared with the previous year's total of 118. Of these approximately 55% were grass and brush fires, which are a costly and time consuming type of fire alarm during the dry season. Many such alarms can be prevented by the use of proper incinerators and extreme caution when burning out-of-doors.

Apparatus and Equipment

No new fire apparatus has been purchased during the year and at the present time we have four first line pumpers, one in each of the three fire stations with the exception of Company No. 2 which has two first line pumpers. At Company No. 1 the auxiliary piece of apparatus is a 29 year old pumper which is so obsolete that the manufacturers have advised us that further service repairs to this apparatus are impractical. This piece of apparatus should be replaced in the very near future. The pumper which is used as a second piece of apparatus at Company No. 3 is also antiquated and

should be replaced by apparatus that is more adapted to fighting fires in this rural area. The fire fighting equipment in all firehouses has been kept up-to-date and is generally in excellent condition.

Firehouses

We have just completed a much needed two bay addition to Company No. 1 firehouse. A threatened collapse of the apparatus room floor made it necessary to either attempt a major repair of the building, or build an addition to the present structure. A survey showed that the latter would prove less costly and would better serve our needs. In general all of the firehouses are in good condition with the exception of a new roof covering at No. 3 firehouse and an exterior painting job on No. 2 firehouse which we have scheduled for completion during the coming year.

Protection

Hydrants were installed wherever water mains were extended into new developments and to date we have 194 hydrants which cover most of the thickly settled area of the town.

Alarm System

The present fire alarm system which is operated in conjunction with the police switchboard and radio base station has proved to be the most efficient method of handling our emergency calls. Two way radio communication between the fire trucks base station and walkie-talkie radios purchased last year, enables the fire department to maintain communications during any emergency conditions.

Street Lighting

Last year we initiated a long range program to improve the street lighting in the business areas of our community. As the first step in this program we replaced the out-moded lighting in the center of the town with modern fluorescent lights, and if at all possible will continue to extend this type of lighting until we have improved the street lighting in all business sections of the town.

ROBERT G. PARKS, Chairman

FIRE MARSHAL

The Fire Marshal made 320 inspections last year, including 22 reinspections, 34 inspections at Christmas and New Years, and 21 Fire investigations.

Inspections reveal that there is a lot of improper burning being done in town.

There were 88 grass and brush fires in town last year. Of these 5% were caused by careless burning and 90% were caused by using improvised incinerators. Loss at these grass and brush fires was kept to a minimum due to the quick and efficient work of the Fire Department.

Causes of all fires were determined this last year. There were 15 serious building fires. Probable causes of some of these fires were careless smoking, improper use of heating bulb, careless burning, automobile ignition, welding and spontaneous combustion.

The fire loss last year was \$168,935. I ask the townspeople to eliminate the above mentioned hazards and I am sure our fire loss will be back to normal.

There will be a special drive on burning in the open and the use of improvised incinerators this year.

Fire drills were called by two Officers of the Fire Department in all public schools during Fire Prevention Week and were found to be satisfactory.

ALBERT W. DICKAU, Fire Marshal

THE ASSESSOR

The revaluation of all taxable property in the Town of Glastonbury is nearing its completion. This revaluation work will be effective on the tax list of 1957 for all taxable property owned by any person or persons on or before the 1st day of October 1957.

Increase notices will go out to all taxpayers prior to the sessions of the Board of Tax Review as prescribed by law.

The Town of Glastonbury is still slowly losing its industry and not getting enough other business to compensate for this loss. We are still sorely in need of more Commercial and Industrial business

to keep this town's millage down and also help take the burden of taxes from the home owner.

Your assessor urges taxpayers to give full support and consideration to all boards, committees and organizations appointed or asked to study and report suggestions on ways and means of bringing in more business to our Town and to object to those in opposition, who wish to keep Glastonbury a residential town only. Glastonbury is one of the largest towns in the State of Connecticut and I am sure we have room for Industry and Commerce with plenty of reserve for fine residential sections.

The following may be of some interest to the taxpayers. As stated above, Glastonbury is one of the largest towns in the State. It would take the towns or cities in the following groups to make up approximately the area of our Town. (Hartford, West Hartford and Manchester) — (East Hartford and Manchester) — (Bolton, Andover and Vernon) — (Wethersfield, Rocky Hill and Cromwell) — (Plainville, New Britain and Wethersfield) — (Plainville, New Britain and Farmington). These are only a few groups from the State to illustrate that we are not a small town and that we have to maintain many more miles of roads, sewers, trees, etc. than any of the above towns.

Your assessor wishes to take this opportunity to thank all boards, town officials and taxpayers for their cooperation in the past year.

RAY W. WALZ, Assessor

PROPERTY TAX TRANSACTIONS

List	9/1/56 Un- collected	Lawful Adjust- ments	Collected Tax	Collected Interest and Lien Fees	Balance Due 8/31/57
1941-1954	\$ 12,237.50	\$1,560.61	\$ 3,398.23	\$ 530.06	\$ 7,278.66
1955	44,718.74	222.00	37,107.32	1,628.69	7,389.42
Total Prior Years	\$56,956.24	\$1,782.61	\$ 40,505.55	\$2,158.75	\$14,668.08
1956	1,453,623.65	3,849.87	1,387,016.22	470.20	62,757.56
Grand Totals ..	\$1,510,579.89	\$5,632.48	\$1,427,521.77	\$2,628.95	\$77,425.64

DOROTHY B. FINNEY
Acting Collector

GRAND LIST

OCTOBER 1, 1956

3172 Dwelling Houses	\$19,989,971
3624 Barns, Sheds, Poultry and Store Houses, Private Garages, etc.	1,367,423
4989 House Lots and Building Lots	3,646,562
123 Business Buildings (excluding factories)	2,436,517
3 Buildings, Used for Mills and Manufacturing	320,760
27,586 Acres of Land	1,251,982
5720 Motor Vehicles	3,582,133
Machinery, Water Power and Dams	919,550
64 Horses	5,850
763 Neat Cattle including Purebreds	50,290
Sheep, Goats, Swine and Poultry	37,550
Furniture (Commercial)	237,275
Farming Implements and Mechanics' Tools	212,655
Tobacco	1,413,340
Goods of Manufacturers, Merchants and Traders	1,279,979
Cables, Conduits, Pipes, Underground Mains, etc.	464,571
All other Taxable Property	118,095
10% Additional on Lists Not Given	12,570
 Gross 1956 Grand List	 37,347,073
 Total Exemptions of Servicemen, Ex-servicemen and the Blind	 1,364,864
 Net Grand List of Municipality, on Which Tax is levied	 35,982,209
 Total List Zone I (extra tax 2 mills)	 18,866,643
Total List Zone II (extra tax 1 mill)	8,042,106
Total List Zone III (extra tax 1/2 mill)	9,073,460
 Basic Tax Rate Laid by Board of Finance	 39 Mills

THE POLICE COMMISSION

The activity report as set forth below indicates that there has been an increase in criminal work in the Glastonbury Police Department. This fact has been stated in previous reports and the increase in criminal arrests from 93 in 1955-56 to 150 in 1956-57 bears out a recent report of the Federal Bureau of Investigation wherein it was stated that crime in the United States has increased more than 8 per cent over the previous year. It is, therefore, to the best advantage of the Town to increase its Police Department personnel to exercise preventive measures rather than to spend additional sums in combatting criminal exploitations and apprehensions. With the advent of the new Wethersfield-Glastonbury bridge, it will mean that Glastonbury will be easily accessible to the criminal element moving from city to city. We feel certain that it will also mean an increase in our population and, therefore, a comparative increase in the workload of the Police Department.

Our own Department, as departments of other surrounding towns, felt the heavy burden placed on it during the murders that occurred in various cities during the winter of 1956. During this period extra patrols were necessary in order to give businessmen needed protection and, therefore, placed an additional burden on the Police Department's budget. In spite of this, the Department made every effort to remain within its allotted budget. This was accomplished with a sacrifice to modern police procedures and methods.

The police profession today, as large industry, finds it necessary and beneficial to its success to train men in their respective fields. Through the cooperation of the Connecticut State Police, one officer was sent to the State Police Training School for a three-month period. During the coming fiscal year officers will be sent to training schools in New Haven and Hartford. In conjunction with the subject of training we should mention at this time that, through the efforts of local businessmen and citizens who have taken a personal interest in the welfare of the Police Department and through the efforts of the members of the Department, a four-lane practical pistol course has been completed and a range house is now in the process of construction which will be used for police school purposes and other associated police activities. This range has

already been approved by the FBI for training purposes. The Board of Police Commissioners wishes publicly to express its appreciation to those who have so willingly donated of their time and equipment to make this project a success.

For the past several years the Police Commission has brought to the attention of the public the dire need for a pension plan for the members of the Police Department. Various plans have been under consideration by the Police Commission and it is hoped that one of these plans will be submitted for approval during the coming year.

The Board of Police Commissioners would be remiss indeed in its responsibilities if it failed to recognize the untiring efforts of the Glastonbury Auxiliary Police. This unit of Civil Defense has contributed approximately 1,500 hours during the past fiscal year. During the year 1956-57 through the excellent cooperation of our very capable Director, Mr. Bruce Richards, and the members of the Auxiliary Police unit a Civil Defense emergency ambulance was obtained. It was necessary for the Auxiliary Police to convert this unit to make it practical for its anticipated use. On June 1, 1957, this voluntary ambulance service was inaugurated. At the close of the fiscal year over 2,200 man hours were donated by the Auxiliary Police for this service. Thirty-seven calls were answered by the CD ambulance and 29 persons were transported to four different hospitals. All of the Auxiliary Police affiliated with this service have received specialized training in ambulance work through the guidance of Mr. Norman Osborne. The Commission publicly expresses its appreciation to Mr. Osborne for his untiring efforts in training the members of the unit and to all of the members of the unit, through the leadership of Mr. John Davis, who have so willingly given of their time and efforts.

The Junior Safety Patrols continue to be active in our school system and are to be credited for the vitally important part they have played in making Glastonbury a safe town. These boys and girls are rewarded for their efforts through the generosity of the service clubs and veterans' organizations who have made donations each year to sponsor an outing for members of the patrols. Through the contributions of these local groups more than 70 members of the patrols were able to attend the Shrine Circus.

The Board wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the heads of all of the Town agencies for their cooperation and in par-

ticular to Mrs. Hazel Hutt, Director of Social Welfare, who has been so cooperative during these past years. We also wish to thank Mr. Angelo Malaspina, foreman of the Highway Department, who has given most generously of his time in assisting the members of the Department in the construction of the pistol range.

ROBERT J. LEWIS, Chairman

ACTIVITY REPORT OF GLASTONBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

	1955-56	1956-57	% Change
Accidents Investigated	161	183	14
Fatal Accidents	0	0	
Fire Calls	110	152	38
Radio Calls and Transmissions	33,111	30,591	8—
Teletype Messages	25,551	26,968	6
Miscellaneous Complaints	519	608	17
Prowler Complaints	136	41	70—
Missing Persons Located	46	49	6
Animal Complaints	156	175	12
Theft Cases	85	130	53
Property Damage Complaints	141	165	17
Intoxication Complaints	33	40	21
Parked Car Complaints	240	102	58—
Traffic Control at Fires	109	148	36
Domestic Complaints	93	37	60—
Firearms Complaints	22	23	4
Vacant Homes Checked	579	619	7
Open Doors Located	82	102	24
Street Lights Reported Out	688	557	19—
Breach of Peace Complaints	69	94	36—
Picked Up for Outside Departments	25	23	8—
Notification for Outside Departments	91	74	19—
Juvenile Cases	109	95	13—
Arrests	288	302	5
Breaking and Entering	21	31	48
Sick and Injured Cared for	93	75	19—
Morals Charge	3	13	333
Nonsupport	4	13	225
Mental Cases	6	12	100

Summary of Complaints

Telephone	1,381	1,617	16
Personal	965	766	21—
Written	62	298	380
Value of Property Lost or Stolen	\$12,057.00	\$8,514.00	29—
Value of Property Recovered	\$12,402.00	\$5,502.00	56—
Value of Property Unclaimed	\$458.00	\$111.00	76—

TOWN CLERK AND REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

	<u>1950</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1956</u>
Births	213	274	314
Marriages	120	122	118
Deaths	111	99	108

A total of 1012 Documents were recorded in Town Records as well as 379 Armed Service Discharges during the past year.

JOHN A. MILLER, Town Clerk

THE WELFARE COMMISSION

Your Welfare Department during the year past operated well within its budget and at a net cost of approximately one-half a mill on the Grand List.

Of special interest at this time is the economy of our Town Farm operation. The State per diem figure for welfare cases in convalescent homes has been increased to \$7.50. Our daily cost at the Town Farm is \$2.50. We are all taxpayers on local, State and National levels so that an economy of this kind is worthwhile whether the costs are being met locally or by one of the other taxing authorities.

At another point we have found economy in reducing hospital charges through early transfer of patients from hospital to Town Farm. At the farm they receive complete nursing care from our Welfare Director who is a Registered Nurse. The per diem hospital rate is now \$28.14.

Activity in the garden and in maintenance of living quarters is encouraged and there is at the farm a fine spirit of mutual helpfulness. We feel this to be an environment far more beneficial to mental and physical health than can be found in other facilities available for boarding care.

JOHN M. FINNEY, Chairman

THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Your committee continues to work with our many active service, business and social organizations in the operation of the varied recreational programs going on in the town.

Of special interest this year was the further development of the teen-age recreation program at the Williams Memorial. On Saturdays the center was open for Junior and Senior High School students under the supervision of two paid directors. This project, which is carried on under the sponsorship of the High School PTA, is apparently filling a definite need and has been well received.

During the past year, the major improvement project accomplished by your committee, involved the use of some town owned land in the rear of the Academy School playground. This land has been reshaped and is now usable for at least two additional recreational purposes. First, a large skating area was developed and gives the center of town a long needed skating rink. Second, a new horse show and rodeo area is now available, complete with horse ring, for the many local organizations involved in this sport.

The Eastbury Pool continues to be a popular swimming area and swimming lessons are being given by our pool staff to an ever increasing number of children and adults.

The baseball and softball diamonds were in constant use all summer by both junior and adult teams. In this connection your committee has provided in its next budget for additional supervision of diamond equipment and maintenance.

ROBERT C. ALLEN, Secretary

THE HEALTH OFFICER

Routine examination of school children was carried out during the year with the local physicians participating. Parents were notified of defects and conferences were held between school nurse and parent. Most common positive findings were infected tonsils.

The clinics for immunizations were held in the Spring. Well-child clinics were also held in the Fall and Spring. Examinations

were done at these clinics and the children received the triple toxoid (diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis), polio vaccine and vaccinations. High School students, members of the soccer team and the agriculture class, received tetanus toxoid.

Public health nuisances investigated: 51.

The following communicable diseases were reported:

Broncho pneumonia	1	Scarlet Fever	7
Chickenpox	7	Tuberculosis (Pul.)	1
German measles	3	Meningitis	7
Lobar pneumonia	7	Paratyphoid	1
Measles	78	Veneral disease	2
Mumps	31		

JOSEPH RAFFA, M.D.

TOWN COURT OF GLASTONBURY

During the fiscal year from September 1st, 1956, through August 31st, 1957, the Town Court of Glastonbury heard 296 criminal and motor vehicle cases; 17 new civil cases were added to the docket.

Total receipts of the Court, including fines, fees and gross income of the small claims court were \$4,613.45. From this amount the following disbursements were made:

- To the Motor Vehicle Department, \$850;
- To the State Treasurer (under the Probation Act), \$203.40;
- For witnesses, interpreters, prisoners' board, \$81.97;
- For salaries and incidental expenses, \$4,944.96.

Amounts paid to the Town Treasurer were as follows:

- From the Town Court, \$2,972.63.
- From the Small Claims Court, \$310.55.

WALTER M. DOWNES, Judge

GLASTONBURY SAFETY COMMITTEE

The following organizations were represented on the Glastonbury Town Safety Committee:

Police Commission	Service Club
American Legion	Fire Department
League of Women Voters	Town Plan and Zoning Comm.
Lions Club	Parent-Teacher Association
Rotary Club	Town Selectmen
Exchange Club	Veterans of Foreign Wars

The Town Plan and Zoning Commission, represented by Mr. V. C. Brewer, reported to the Safety Committee that in new developments within one mile street distance of any school, sidewalks are being required — with the exception of those streets that have little car traffic and will continue to have little car traffic in the future.

A committee was appointed to study street parking in Glastonbury, particularly as it concerns pedestrian safety.

The “Millwinders Association,” a group of teen-agers — all boys, have volunteered to help the Safety Committee in distributing safety literature and in other duties in which they might be of assistance.

Safety materials were ordered and distributed through Glastonbury. Chief of Police Terrence McKaig directed this project.

The matter of “white lines” in Glastonbury was studied and discussed and a survey showed that approximately 15 miles of white lines would be needed. The plan would be to use white lines as markers for safety zones for children and pedestrians. Lines were painted on Griswold Street and are working effectively at that location.

The hazard of slides on the River Road was discussed and recommendations made to Town Officials.

The blind corner on Oak St. & Hebron Avenue is being studied.

KARL E. BLAKE, Secretary

THE GLASTONBURY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

This Association is a public service, non-profit, non-partisan, voluntary, public health association. It is staffed with three graduate public health nurses and a part time clerk. All services are directed by the Medical Advisory Board which is as follows:

Dr. Joseph Raffa, Health Officer
Dr. B. Baylis Earle
Dr. Edwin M. Griswold

Dr. Charles Hamlin
Dr. Charles R. Preble
Dr. Lee Jay Whittles

This year, we again extend special Recognition to our Health Officer, our Medical Advisory Board, our V. N. A. nurses and volunteers for their unselfish helpfulness throughout the year.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

There were 11 Well-Child Conferences under the direction of Dr. Joseph Raffa, Health Officer.

The Advisory Board directed clinics for 23 whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus inoculations.

Sixty-two adults and children received polio inoculations.

The Medical Staff also examined 170 girls for attendance at Day Camp for Girl Scouts.

Under the sponsorship of the Bureau of Dental Hygiene of Connecticut State Department of Health, six clinics were held with an attendance of 179 children.

The following is a resume of nurses' visits for the year:

Medical and Surgical	3,567
Maternity and New Born	110
Tuberculosis	243
Crippled Children	68
Health Supervision	1,371
Acute Communicable	12
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Total	5,724

JANE LEE VIERA, President

THE GLASTONBURY PUBLIC BUILDING COMMITTEE

The past year has been a busy one for the Committee. Twenty-five meetings have been held. In addition, members have gone on various field trips.

Much of the time of the Committee has been spent in planning the new elementary school to be built on Hebron Avenue. After interviewing a number of architects and visiting numerous elementary schools throughout the state, the Committee voted to retain the firm of Lyons and Mather of Bridgeport as the architects for the proposed school. This firm has planned and supervised the construction of over thirty schools in the state. During the winter months and throughout the spring the Committee met many times with the architects, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Business Manager. Conferences were held with state and local officials, with representatives of the Metropolitan District, the Connecticut Light and Power Company, as well as with private individuals. After several revisions, plans were finally completed and bids invited. When these were opened on June 7, they were much higher than anticipated and, therefore, were rejected. The architects were then instructed to review all phases of the plans and to make recommendations for lowering the cost of this project substantially. This was done. Revised plans were approved by the Committee, the Board of Education, and the State Board of Education and once more were let out for bids. Five bids were received. The lowest, from A. F. Squillacote Company of Newington, was accepted. The Committee asked the Board of Finance for \$642,000.00 for the construction and equipping of the Hebron Avenue School. This request was granted at a Town Meeting on July 1, 1957. Work on this school is now well underway and will be completed by September, 1958.

In addition to the work done on this school, space studies for a new Town Office Building have been made by competent architects. These studies are based on the material prepared for a previous Committee by the various Town Departments. Comparisons were also made with plans for new Office Buildings in towns of similar size to Glastonbury. No further action has been taken.

In February the Committee was notified of the serious failure of the supporting timbers in the engine room of Fire House #1.

A meeting of the Committee was held at the Fire House in order to inspect piers and footings under the floors. These were found to be definitely inadequate to carry the load of the new pumper. After consultations with the Board of Finance, builders, and an architect, plans were drawn up calling for an addition on the south side of the building as well as necessary remodeling. This job was let out for bid and the contract was awarded to Mr. Michael Bisi of Glastonbury, the lowest bidder. The Committee requested an appropriation of \$16,500 for this project which was approved at a Special Town Meeting on May 27. This work is nearing completion.

At a joint meeting with the Board of Finance and Selectmen in March, the Committee was instructed to investigate possible sites for a Town Garage and to proceed as quickly as possible. This garage is to house and maintain the highway equipment and service the equipment of other Town Departments. The Committee was advised that sufficient money is available in the Capital Reserve Fund for this purpose subject to Town Meeting approval. An intensive search for possible sites has been made by members of this Committee and the Board of Selectmen. Many sites have been investigated but owners seem, for the most part, unwilling to sell. The Committee hopes, however, to make definite recommendations soon.

During the past year the three advisory members of the Committee became voting members by action of a Town Meeting. The Committee has adopted a policy of prohibiting any member from receiving remuneration either directly or indirectly for work on any project under consideration.

During the coming year much work remains for the Committee in connection with the Hebron Avenue School. This and the other projects mentioned should keep the Committee busy.

Overcrowding of several Town Departments may make it necessary to take steps soon to alleviate these conditions.

MARTIN L. ROSER, Chairman

THE BOARD OF FINANCE

Last Fall, after a series of meetings and much deliberation, your Board reluctantly adopted a gross budget of \$1,769,500.58. The chief factor in the excess of \$336,550.10 over actual expenditures of the previous fiscal year was the cost of a sharp upward revision in teachers' salary schedules, without compensating aid from the State.

At the Annual Town Meeting, after presentation of the budget, the Finance Board chairman intimated that a tax rise considerably in excess of three mills would be inevitable, unless additions to the Grand List far exceeded expectations. Such additions proved to be no more than normal, and your Board found it necessary to lay a basic tax of 39 mills, a drastic increase of 6 mills over the previous rate.

The year ended on a happier note, as total expenditures were kept well within budget limits and receipts exceeded estimates. These factors resulted in a nice cash balance of \$116,836.73 in the General Fund, of which \$65,000 was transferred to the Capital Reserve Fund by vote of Town Meeting, as recommended by your Board.

This Reserve Fund has again proved to be of value in financing various projects, as shown by the schedule printed elsewhere in these pages. Since a reserve fund was first authorized by Act of Legislature some 15 years ago, we here in Glastonbury have financed schools and other projects to the extent of quite a few hundred thousand dollars by means of such Fund, thereby avoiding additional bond issues with resulting interest charges.

For the past two years a revaluation of all taxable property has been in progress, to be completed for the Grand List of October 1st, 1957. The purpose of a revaluation is not clear to many people. There are two major reasons for this undertaking: 1) to correct any inequalities and inequities which may have arisen since the previous revaluation, 2) to put assessments on a more realistic basis in relation to current market values, as specified by law.

A reassessment as such does not necessarily result in either higher or lower taxes for the typical taxpayer. While, in general, assessments are raised to conform more closely to market values,

the tax rate in mills may be reduced to the same extent, depending on the total levy necessary to meet the budget.

One result of a reassessment is that the debt limit of a town is, as a rule, substantially increased, which may be a most important factor when such limit has been approached or reached. This does not apply to Glastonbury, where prudent fiscal policy has maintained a safe margin between debt limit and actual debt. However, the revaluation here should increase this margin considerably, which will further strengthen the Town's credit.

We are looking forward to the final payment, on January 1st, 1958, of the 35 year school bonds issued in 1923. With the proceeds of these bonds (\$175,000) we built not only the old High School, but also the High Street and Hubbard Street elementary schools. That seemed like a lot of money then, and \$5000 was considered as being all the Town could amortize annually. Times have changed! Including the prospective Hebron Avenue School bond issue, we will soon be amortizing our bonded indebtedness at the rate of \$180,000 per year, more than the 1923 bond issue itself.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege for the undersigned to serve on the Board of Finance over a period of years and to have been associated with his fellow members, all of whom, without exception, have always had the best interests of the Town at heart. Their cooperation is deeply appreciated. It is also a pleasure to recognize the conscientious work of the clerks of the Board, who by custom have been the First Selectmen. The relations of the Board with other Town officials and commissions have been generally cordial and there has been a concerted attempt to keep expenditures down to a level consistent with efficient service to the people of the Town.

Your Board appreciates the confidence placed in it by the taxpayers, as demonstrated by the fact that recommendations of the Board to Town Meetings have consistently been approved.

It would not appear that any change in our Town government would or could effect appreciable economies.

JOHN H. ROSER, Chairman

EXCERPTS FROM THE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Finance,
Town of Glastonbury,
Connecticut.

Gentlemen:

We have made an audit of the books of account and financial records of the Town of Glastonbury, Connecticut, for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1957.

The Town does not maintain a complete double-entry system of bookkeeping.

All expenditures of the Selectmen and Board of Education were prepared in the school office on an electric budget machine. These expenditures are recorded on cards for each budget item. The only departments not using this machine during the past year were the Welfare and Police.

Resume of Financial Transactions and Condition

At a Town meeting, held on November 19, 1956, the budget, as printed in the Annual Town Report was adopted amounting to \$1,769,500.58.

At a Finance Board meeting, held on February 5, 1957 an appropriation was voted of \$250 for Codification of Town Ordinances.

This resulted in a total current expense budget for 1956-1957 of \$1,769,750.58.

At Town meetings, held as noted, the following appropriations were voted from the reserve fund:

11/14/56	Land for Public Building — Taddei	\$45,000
	Road and Water Main —		
	Taddei Property	2,500
11/19/56	Preliminary Plans for Elementary		
	School — Hebron Avenue	25,000
5/27/57	Addition to Firehouse No. 1	16,500

At Town meetings, held on September 24, 1956 and September 9, 1957, transfers were voted to the Reserve Fund from General Fund Surplus of \$50,000, effective August 31, 1956 and \$65,000, effective August 31, 1957.

At a Town meeting, held on July 1, 1957, an appropriation of \$642,000 was voted for the construction of an elementary school on Hebron Avenue, including equipment, landscaping and architect's fees. It was also voted to issue bonds and notes in anticipation of bonds to finance this appropriation.

At a Town meeting, held on July 22, 1957, it was voted to authorize the Housing Authority of Glastonbury to purchase the Welles Village housing development consisting of 199 units at a purchase price of \$648,000. The Housing Authority was authorized to give a thirty-year mortgage to bear interest at 4-1/2 % for the full purchase price and the mortgage is to be paid from revenue collected from rents. This transaction was consummated on August 8, 1957, we were informed.

At a Finance Board meeting, held on February 5, 1957, tax rates on the taxable grand list of October 1, 1956 were voted as follows:

Town Proper — Basic	39 Mills
Fire Zone (1)	2 Mills
Fire Zone (2)	1 Mill
Fire Zone (3)	1/2 Mill

School bonds were retired during the year amounting to \$145-000 and provision was made in the 1956-1957 budget for school bonds maturing on September 1, 1957 amounting to \$60,000.

Bonds outstanding at the close of the year totaled \$2,250,000.

Two notes were outstanding at the close of the year amounting to \$26,650, issued for the purchase of a school site on Hebron Avenue and the Taddei property.

All tax anticipation loans were paid during the year.

Cash

All cash balances were verified and reconciled with confirmations received direct from the depositories.

Receipts were properly and promptly deposited and could be traced to definite groups of deposits.

Book balances were reconciled at least monthly.

There are no loose or improper methods in the handling of cash.

Cash Discounts

All discounts were found to have been taken.

Uncollected Taxes

A statement of property tax transactions during the year reflects uncollected taxes at August 31, 1957 of \$77,425.64 as compared with \$56,956.24 unpaid at August 31, 1956.

Confirmations were mailed on September 17, 1957 to sixty taxpayers owing taxes at August 31, 1957. Fifteen replied and agreed that their accounts were correct. There were no complaints.

Recommendations

We stated in our previous report that the Welfare and Police Commission expenditures will be made through the budget machine operations at the school office. This did not happen during the year as anticipated. The Finance Board has the authority to make this mandatory if it still desires to do so.

There are many open tax accounts which should be transferred to the suspense tax book.

There are a few old outstanding selectmen and school orders which should be cancelled.

The several departments are working under handicapped conditions due to lack of working and filing space. It is hoped that some definite action may be taken in the very near future to construct a new Town Office Building to provide adequate facilities.

In our opinion, and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the attached Exhibits and Schedules, accompanied by explanatory comments and recommendations, present fairly the financial position as of August 31, 1957, of the various funds of the Town of Glastonbury and the results of its operations and changes in funds for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to municipalities.

Very truly yours,

H. N. ALEXANDER & COMPANY

Note: The complete Auditors' Report, not printed here in its entirety, is available for inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk.

BOND AND NOTE INDEBTEDNESS

As of August 31, 1957

	<u>Original Issue</u>	<u>Outstanding 8-31-57</u>
School Bonds		
Dated Jan. 1, 1923, Payable Jan. 1, 1958. (Interest at 4½% Due 1-1-58)	\$ 175,000	\$ 5,000
High School Bonds		
Dated March 1, 1952, \$80,000 Payable Annually on March 1, 1958 to 1971 and \$45,- 000.00 on March 1, 1972. (In- terest at 1.6%)	1,565,000	1,165,000
High School and Elementary Bonds		
Dated Sept. 1, 1955, \$60,000 Payable Annually on Sept. 1, 1957 to 1974. (Interest at 2.7%) (Provision has been made for Bonds Maturing 9-1-57)	1,140,000	1,080,000
		<hr/> 2,250,000
Notes		
Edward Nordstrom—School Site—Due 1-2-58, 5%		10,650
Francesco Taddei—Land— Due 1-2-58, No Interest		16,000
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Total		\$2,276,650

RESERVE FUND FOR CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING EXPENDITURES

Balance, August 31, 1956	\$81,344.24	
Transfer From General Fund Surplus, Voted 9-24-56, Effective 8-31-56	50,000.00	
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Adjusted Balance		131,344.24
Transfer from General Fund Surplus, Voted 9-9-57, Effective 8-31-57		65,000.00
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Total		196,344.24
Appropriations, Voted 11-14-56—		
Land For Public Building—Taddei Property	45,000.00	
Road and Water Main—Taddei Property	2,500.00	
Appropriation, Voted 11-19-56—		
Preliminary Plans for Elementary School on Hebron Avenue	25,000.00	
Appropriation, Voted 5-27-57—		
Firehouse Addition No. 1	16,500.00	89,000.00
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Unappropriated Balance, August 31, 1957		\$107,344.24

DEBT LIMITATION STATEMENT As of August 31, 1957

Taxable Property, October 1, 1956	\$35,902,209.00	
Exempt Property, October 1, 1953	3,759,745.00	
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Total Subject to Debt Limit		39,661,954.00
Ten Per Cent Debt Limit As Approved		3,966,195.40
Indebtedness, 8-31-57—School Bonds 2,250,000.00		
Less—Provision for Payment of Bonds Due 9-1-57	60,000.00	2,190,000.00
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Excess of Debt Limit Over Actual Debt		\$1,776,195.40

TOWN OWNED PROPERTIES

	Assessed Values		
	Land	Buildings	Totals
Town Hall and Park	\$17,455	\$ 11,850	\$ 29,305
Police Station	1,599	8,000	9,599
Town Office Building	7,319	27,609	34,928
Town Farm	1,500	7,983	9,483
Fire Houses —			
Pratt St.	2,500	13,500	16,000
East Glastonbury	1,350	4,500	5,850
South Glastonbury	2,604	18,500	21,104
Schools —			
Academy		105,840	105,840
Old High	9,175	222,798	231,973
Addison	1,200	5,625	6,825
Buckingham	1,500	11,765	13,265
Junior-Senior High	80,000	1,095,000	1,175,000
High St.	3,813	87,323	91,136
Hubbard St. — School Office	2,800	17,500	20,300
Naubuc	10,000	170,217	180,217
Neipsic (Old)	2,000	11,250	13,250
Eastbury		227,000	227,000
Free Academy	2,110	13,178	15,288
Williams Memorial	2,130	36,084	38,214
Buttonball Lane — Cost	8,500	466,276	474,776
High School Addition — Cost	15,000	688,199	703,199
School Site — Hebron Ave. — Cost	30,000		30,000
Gravel Bank — Turnpike	858		858
Town Dump	407		407
Parks —			
N. L. Turnpike	350		350
Eastbury	2,500		2,500
Forest Lane	3,000		3,000
Lots — Diamond Lake (2)	200		200
Welles-Turner Library	10,000	175,000	185,000
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Totals			3,644,867
Land — New Town Office — Cost	47,500		47,500
Equipment — Estimated —			
Furniture and Equipment			200,000
Library Equipment			66,000
Highway Trucks and Equipment —			
Inventory			66,577
School Busses			6,000
Fire Pumpers, Apparatus, etc. —			
Inventory			78,903
Voting Machines (9)			9,000
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Total			\$4,120,847
Changes During Year —			
Two Dump Trucks Purchased.			
Land purchased for Town Office Building.			
High School Addition Completed.			
Fire Equipment Purchased.			

BUDGET REPORT OF BOARD OF FINANCE

RECEIPTS

	1956-57 Actual Receipts	1957-58 Estimated Receipts
Property Taxes		
General Property Tax, current levy	\$1,336,626.67	*\$1,364,906.97
General Property Tax, prior levies	40,545.22	40,000.00
Fire Zone Levies	50,389.55	52,400.00
Penalties, Interest and Fees	2,628.95	2,500.00
	<hr/> \$1,430,190.39	<hr/> \$1,459,806.97
In Lieu of Taxes		
Glastonbury Housing Authority (Wells Village)	\$ 26,568.00	\$ 26,500.00
State of Connecticut (State Parks)	508.65	500.00
	<hr/> \$ 27,076.65	<hr/> \$ 27,000.00
Courts		
Town Court	\$ 2,972.63	\$ 2,900.00
Small Claims Court	310.55	300.00
	<hr/> \$ 3,283.18	<hr/> \$ 3,200.00
Education		
State, Adult Education	—	383.00
State, Driver Training	—	850.00
State, Elementary Transportation	16,237.34	17,054.33
State, Grant in Aid	157,595.00	234,431.46
State, Homemaking	2,723.59	2,086.80
State, Physically Handicapped Children	4,464.63	4,667.58
State, Trade School Transportation	802.09	400.00
State, Vocational Agriculture	3,131.41	3,480.00
State, Industrial Arts	10,155.81	12,753.63
Federal Grant	7,859.56	—
Town Deposit Fund, Interest	192.52	150.00
Rental, School Facilities	1,854.50	500.00
Tuition	1,393.33	1,200.00
Miscellaneous	46.00	275.00
	<hr/> \$ 206,455.78	<hr/> \$ 278,231.80
Planning & Zoning		
Building Inspection Fees	\$ 16,013.47	\$ 13,000.00
Police Department		
Fire Department's Share Alarm System	\$ 8,963.98	\$ 9,000.00
Supernumeraries, Private Duty	817.39	800.00
Gas Tax Refunds	781.50	800.00
Sundry Income	1,289.92	1,200.00
	<hr/> \$ 11,852.79	<hr/> \$ 11,800.00

*amount required to balance budget.

	1956-57 Actual Receipts	1957-58 Estimated Receipts
Taxes and Licenses		
State Liquor Licenses	\$ 7,900.00	\$ 7,900.00
State Motor Bus Tax	1,399.06	1,400.00
Peddlers' Permits	199.75	200.00
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	\$ 9,498.81	\$ 9,500.00
Public Works Department		
State Aid Roads	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
Refunds, Towns and Individuals	5,127.06	5,000.00
Gas Tax Refunds	290.34	300.00
State, Flood Damage	3,559.60	—
Sale of Fill	950.95	—
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	\$ 14,927.95	\$ 11,800.00
Welfare		
State, Outdoor Aid	\$ 5,774.38	\$ 5,100.00
State, Town Farm	1,522.77	1,500.00
Town Farm Income	5,648.90	3,000.00
Refunds, Towns, Outdoor Aid	971.94	1,000.00
Refunds, Individuals, Outdoor Aid	3,192.37	2,800.00
State, Burial of Veterans	400.00	400.00
Miscellaneous	1.15	—
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	\$ 17,511.51	\$ 13,800.00
State Grants for School Construction		
Junior-Senior High School	\$ 21,757.50	\$ 21,757.50
Buttonball Lane School	6,900.00	6,900.00
Junior-Senior High School Industrial Arts Equipment	12,702.96	—
Junior-Senior High School Addition	—	19,700.00
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	\$ 41,360.46	\$ 48,357.50
Unclassified		
Civil Defense Matching Funds	\$ 1,396.20	—
Interest on Treasury Bills	7,085.28	4,500.00
Cooperative Kindergarten	195.25	195.00
Miscellaneous	421.77	400.00
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	\$ 9,098.50	\$ 5,095.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,787,269.49	\$1,881,591.27
Cash on Hand, September 1, 1956	25,637.35	—
Cash on Hand, August 31, 1957	—	51,836.73
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	\$1,812,906.84	\$1,933,428.00

DETAILED BUDGET EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	Actual Expenditures 1956-57	Budget Appropriations 1957-58
Selectmen		
First	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,100.00
Second	500.00	500.00
Third	500.00	500.00
Automobile Expense	220.59	400.00
Office Supplies and Expense	866.93	1,100.00
Legal Notices	224.94	300.00
Clerical Salary	2,800.00	3,000.00
Preparing Tax Rate Book	600.00	500.00
Expense for Re-establishing Fire Zones	531.21	—
	\$ 12,243.67	\$ 13,400.00
Treasurer		
Salary	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00
Bond (2 yrs.)	296.00	721.50
Expense, Office Supplies	27.62	150.00
Expense, Office Equipment	391.25	—
	\$ 2,314.87	\$ 2,471.50
Town Clerk		
Salary	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
Clerical Expense	479.00	1,000.00
Supplies	977.02	1,000.00
Recording Veterans' Discharges	100.00	100.00
General Index Land Records	100.00	100.00
Recording Vital Statistics	1,053.60	1,075.00
Lien Fees	101.75	110.00
New Roller Shelf Unit	222.88	—
Rebind Record Books	57.00	120.00
Map Cabinet	—	175.00
Microfilm Records to Date	—	200.00
	\$ 4,491.25	\$ 5,280.00
Town Counsel — Legal Services		
Selectmen	\$ 1,416.00	\$ 1,000.00
Police Department	45.00	65.00
Town Plan and Zoning	998.00	525.00
Board of Education	280.00	330.00
Tax Collector	325.00	1,000.00
Zoning Board of Appeals	100.00	455.00
Welfare Department	335.00	220.00
Town Clerk	3.00	20.00
	\$ 3,502.00	\$ 3,615.00
Town Auditor	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,300.00
Town Fire Marshal	\$ 718.00	\$ 800.00
Town Buildings		
Maintenance and Supplies	\$ 3,954.33	\$ 4,500.00

	Actual Expenditures 1956-57	Budget Appropriations 1957-58
Insurance		
Liability	\$ 4,520.11	\$ 5,000.00
Compensation	2,563.21	3,000.00
Fire	522.17	550.00
Bonds and Boiler	—	345.00
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	\$ 7,605.49	\$ 8,895.00
Board of Finance		
Expense	\$ 111.02	\$ 125.00
Printing Town Reports	925.00	1,000.00
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	\$ 1,036.02	\$ 1,125.00
Total General Government	\$ 36,965.63	\$ 41,386.50

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS

Assessment Expense

Assessor's Salary	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,750.00
Clerical Salary	3,300.00	3,500.00
Printing and Supplies	1,144.44	1,000.00
Automobile Expense	600.00	600.00
Repairs and Maintenance	—	300.00
Office Equipment	4,458.60	—
School for Assessor	75.00	75.00
Special Appropriation (Clerical Expense)	450.38	600.00
Revaluation	20,613.50	3,600.00
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	\$ 38,141.92	\$ 17,425.00
Board of Tax Review	361.07	600.00
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	\$ 38,502.99	\$ 18,025.00

Capital Expenditures

Highway—2 Dump Trucks, 3½ Yards	\$ 15,900.00	\$ —
Highway—1 Dump Truck, 4 Yards	—	8,400.00
Highway—Sand Spreaders	570.00	—
Highway—Power Shovel and Trench Hoe	—	19,410.00
Highway—Snow Plow	199.73	—
Auxiliary Police—Rescue Vehicle	500.00	—
Voting Machine Equipment	—	150.00
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	\$ 17,169.73	\$ 27,960.00

Civil Bodies

County Tax	\$ 7,943.33	\$ 8,500.00
Probate Court Tax	402.60	500.00
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	\$ 8,345.93	\$ 9,000.00

Courts

Town Court	\$ 4,247.12	\$ 4,600.00
Small Claims Division	600.00	600.00
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	\$ 4,847.12	\$ 5,200.00

	Actual Expenditures 1956-57	Budget Appropriations 1957-58
Debt Retirement		
School Bonds 1923	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Junior-Senior High School Bonds—1952	80,000.00	80,000.00
School Bonds—1955 (9-1-58)	60,000.00	60,000.00
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	\$ 145,000.00	\$ 145,000.00
Education Board		
Operational Expense (Details on Page 33)	\$1,009,949.79	\$1,168,825.00
Maintenance Expense 5-14-56	15,000.00	—
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	\$1,024,949.79	\$1,168,825.00
Engineering Expense		
Engineer's Salary	\$ 3,999.92	\$ 7,000.00
Additional Services	—	1,920.00
Office Supplies and Expense	—	555.00
Office and Field Equipment	934.68	425.00
Automobile Expense	—	500.00
Town Road Monumenting (Materials)	857.55	850.00
Clerical Expense	528.07	600.00
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	\$ 6,320.22	\$ 11,850.00
Fire Department		
New Equipment and Replacements	\$ 3,719.50	\$ 5,300.00
Maintenance of Buildings and Equipment	5,267.20	6,500.00
Improvement of Buildings	1,689.64	2,500.00
Hydrant Rentals	1,332.80	1,557.00
Office and Administration Expenses	206.74	400.00
Insurance	1,596.98	1,800.00
Special Services	451.50	1,000.00
Hydrant Installation	1,675.00	2,500.00
Education	185.00	500.00
Firemen's Expenses	5,021.46	7,000.00
Chief and Assistants	575.00	575.00
Alarm System and Telephone Expense	9,663.87	10,480.00
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	\$ 31,384.69	\$ 40,112.00
Street Lighting	21,591.50	25,000.00
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	\$ 52,976.19	\$ 65,112.00
Health		
Health Officer—Salary	\$ 2,172.22	\$ 2,500.00
Health Officer—Expense	235.20	275.00
Acting Health Officer	323.16	500.00
Sanitarian	638.96	800.00
Asiatic Flu Inoculation Expense	—	225.00
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	\$ 3,369.54	\$ 4,300.00
Visiting Nurse Association	8,000.00	8,000.00
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	\$ 11,369.54	\$ 12,300.00

	Actual Expenditures 1956-57	Budget Appropriations 1957-58
Interest on Indebtedness		
School Bonds—1923	\$ 337.50	\$ 112.50
High School Bonds—1952	19,920.00	18,640.00
Temporary Borrowings	5,422.28	9,000.00
School Bonds—1955	29,970.00	28,350.00
Service Charges on School Bond Coupons	105.75	125.00
Hebron Avenue School—1957		13,000.00
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	\$ 55,755.53	\$ 69,227.50
Libraries		
Welles-Turner Memorial Library	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
South Glastonbury Library	750.00	750.00
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	\$ 18,750.00	\$ 24,750.00
Planning and Zoning		
Town Plan and Zoning Commission Expense	\$ 994.19	\$ 1,424.00
Assistance in Planning	838.50	1,750.00
Building Inspector		
Salary—Building Inspector	5,500.00	5,800.00
Salary—Vacation Replacement	170.00	200.00
Salary—Clerical	2,675.00	2,875.00
Automobile Expense	461.96	432.00
Administration Expense	985.91	1,100.00
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	\$ 11,625.56	\$ 13,581.00
Zoning Board of Appeals	406.05	550.00
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	\$ 12,031.61	\$ 14,131.00
Police Department		
Salaries and Wages (incl. Fire Dept's Share Alarm System)	\$ 62,935.81	\$ 70,580.00
Equipment and Training	3,927.49	4,500.00
Insurance	2,107.33	2,200.00
Cruisers	5,393.55	5,600.00
Headquarters	5,017.39	5,830.00
Supplies	1,768.75	2,290.00
New Equipment	6,054.16	4,500.00
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	\$ 87,204.48	\$ 95,500.00
Street Line Painting (Appropriation 1956-57)	154.73	1,845.00
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	\$ 87,359.21	\$ 97,345.00
Public Service Enterprises		
Tree Warden—Salary	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Tree Warden—Expense	4,735.50	6,000.00
Green Cemetery	675.00	675.00
Old Church Cemetery	250.00	250.00
Old South Cemetery	200.00	200.00
Buckingham Cemetery	35.00	35.00
Town Care Cemeteries—Wassuc, Eastbury ..	392.00	440.00
John Tom Hill Cemetery	20.00	20.00
Green Park Association	700.00	700.00
Memorial Day Observance ..	596.60	750.00
Glastonbury Public Building Committee	356.80	500.00
Safety Committee Expense	101.70	250.00
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	\$ 8,312.60	\$ 10,070.00

	Actual Expenditures 1956-57	Budget Appropriations 1957-58
Public Works Department		
Wages	\$ 59,848.20	\$ 71,450.00
Garage Expense	1,406.87	2,000.00
Hired Services	4,020.64	3,000.00
Gas, Oil and Tires	12,136.61	12,500.00
Repairs to Equipment	5,661.42	6,000.00
Tools and Materials	3,602.46	4,000.00
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	\$ 86,676.20	\$ 98,950.00
Retirement	4,974.29	5,700.00
Snow and Ice Removal (Materials)	6,296.42	6,300.00
Unimproved and Improved Roads (State)	4,466.35	4,500.00
Unimproved and Improved Roads (State) Materials	—	2,000.00
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	\$ 102,413.26	\$ 117,450.00
Recreation Committee		
Eastbury Park and Other Recreational Facilities	\$ 6,631.80	\$ 6,350.00
Williams Memorial Building	1,385.15	1,400.00
Eastbury Park Improvement	—	450.00
Special Project—Skating Area rear Academy School	—	1,250.00
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	\$ 8,016.95	\$ 9,450.00
Registrars' Expense		
Registrars' Salaries	\$ 2,514.00	\$ 3,250.00
Election Attendants	579.85	1,000.00
Printing and Supplies	1,476.87	2,000.00
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	\$ 4,570.72	\$ 6,250.00
Sanitation		
Meadow Drain	—	—
Care of Town Dump	3,553.01	3,800.00
Repairs to Sanitary Sewers	500.34	600.00
Sewer Commission Expense	—	500.00
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	\$ 4,053.35	\$ 4,900.00
Tax Collection Expense		
Collector's Salary	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Collector's Bond (2 Years)	365.50	844.00
Clerical Expense	1,235.00	1,250.00
Printing and Supplies	1,114.86	1,335.00
Lien Fees	192.50	200.00
Office Equipment and Expense	—	100.00
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	\$ 6,907.86	\$ 7,729.00

	Actual Expenditures 1956-57	Budget Appropriations 1957-58
Unclassified Expenditures		
Contingent Fund (1956-57 \$20,000)	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Tax Refunds	283.78	500.00
Defense Council Expense	2,362.38	2,667.00
Defense Council Director Expense	300.00	300.00
Jury Committee	40.00	50.00
Social Security	4,016.97	5,600.00
Micro-Film Storage	21.20	50.00
Development and Industrial Commission Expense	232.79	500.00
Dog Damage	43.00	250.00
Repairs to Voting Machine	188.69	—
Codification of Town Ordinances	100.00	250.00
	<hr/> \$ 7,588.81	<hr/> \$ 30,167.00
Welfare Commission		
Outdoor Aid	\$ 14,581.13	\$ 18,000.00
Town Farm Operation and Improvements	8,411.62	8,500.00
Administrative Expense	10,331.96	10,800.00
Special Appropriation	538.36	—
	<hr/> \$ 33,863.07	<hr/> \$ 37,300.00
TOTAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES AND APPROPRIATIONS		
	\$1,696,070.11	\$1,933,428.00
Transfer to Capital Reserve Fund	65,000.00	—
General Fund Cash, August 31, 1957	51,836.73	—
	<hr/> \$1,812,906.84	<hr/> \$1,933,428.00

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM

Per Cent

80.02%	Property Taxes		\$1,430,190.39
0.18	Town Courts		3,283.18
14.71	State of Connecticut		
	Education	\$ 195,109.87	
	Highways	5,000.00	
	Licenses	9,299.06	
	Welfare	7,697.15	
	School Construction ..	41,360.46	
	State Parks	508.65	
	Flood Damage	3,559.60	262,534.79
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2.01	Federal Government		
	Welles Village	26,568.00	
	Education	7,859.56	
	Civil Defense	1,396.20	35,823.76
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0.89	Planning and Zoning (fees)		16,013.47
0.66	Police Department		
	Fire Department		
	(Alarm System)	8,963.98	
	Other Receipts	2,888.81	11,852.79
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0.55	Welfare (except State)		9,814.36
0.35	Public Works Department		6,368.35
0.19	Board of Education (Rents, Tuition, etc.)		3,486.35
0.44	Unclassified		
	Interest on Treas. Bills	7,085.28	
	Miscellaneous	816.77	7,902.05
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100.00%			<hr/> \$1,787,269.49

WHERE THE MONEY WENT

Per Cent		
2.12%	General Government	\$ 36,965.63
2.29	Assessment Exp. (incl. reassessment)	38,502.99
1.01	Capital Expenditures	17,169.73
0.49	County and Probate Taxes	8,345.93
0.29	Courts (Town and Small Claims)	4,847.12
8.56	Debt Retirement	145,000.00
60.43	Education	1,024,949.79
0.37	Engineering Expense	6,320.22
1.85	Fire Department	31,384.69
1.24	Street Lighting	21,591.50
0.68	Health	11,369.54
3.30	Interest on Indebtedness	55,755.53
1.12	Libraries	18,750.00
0.71	Planning and Zoning	12,031.61
5.16	Police Department	87,359.21
0.50	Public Service Enterprises	8,312.60
6.05	Public Works Department	102,413.26
0.47	Recreation	8,016.95
0.27	Registrars Expense	4,570.72
0.24	Sanitation	4,053.35
0.41	Tax Collection Expense	6,907.86
2.00	Welfare	33,863.07
0.44	Unclassified	7,588.81
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100.00%		\$1,696,070.11
	Transfer to Cap. Reserve Fund	65,000.00
	Increase in Cash Balance	26,199.38
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		\$1,787,269.49

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